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Plea agreement dropped in trial

By The Associated Press

A self-proclaimed nymphomaniac and her husband face trial on prostitution charges after prosecutors withdrew a plea agreement amid reports defense attorneys tried to sell a bedroom videotape of the woman.

Prosecutor Joel Lazarus accused attorney Ellis Rubin of conflict of interest and negotiating the plea agreement on behalf of Kathy and Jeffrey Willets in bad faith.

The Willetses had planned to enter guilty pleas Wednesday, but the state dropped its offer after a reporter said defense attorneys tried to sell a secret bedroom videotape of the woman with a client.

Lazarus said it now appears the Willetses participated in crimes not included in the deal. He said making the videotape would be illegal under state law.

During a hearing Wednesday before Broward Circuit Judge John A. Frusciante, Lazarus presented defense attorneys with a new plea agreement to look over. No details were released.

The couple charged clients from \$50 to \$150 an hour and made as much as \$25,000 over six months, investigators said. They face trial on the original charges Oct. 2.

Rubin had planned to argue that Mrs. Willets, 33, suffered from nymphomania and her 41-year-old husband, a Broward County sheriff's deputy, has spells of impotence. Her husband is said to have

Veterans

watched and taken notes from a bedroom closet.

Television reporter Steve Wilson of "Inside Edition" said Tuesday that one of Rubin's sons, attorney Guy Rubin, offered to sell the program for \$60,000 a videotape of Mrs. Willets having sex with former Fort Lauderdale Vice Mayor Doug Danziger, who was known for anti-vice campaigns.

Danziger resigned as vice mayor July 30. His lawyer, David Bogenshutz, said Wednesday he could not confirm whether his client was involved with the Willetses, but said: "He's going to hate this. He thought it was over."

Rubin has denied making any deal with the nationally syndicated tabloid television show.

"It now has been revealed that 'Inside Edition's' reporter came to my office to entrap us into some illegal or unethical act," Rubin told the judge. "They never intended to buy anything. All they wanted to do was trap us."

Av Westin, co-executive producer of "Inside Edition," said the show has broken no law or journalistic standards. "We reject any assertion that 'Inside Edition' engaged in any wrongdoing," he said.

Meanwhile, the 4th District Court of Appeals issued a temporary stay on release of a list of alleged prostitution clients. The appeals court set hearings for Friday and Monday on that list.

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skin abnormalities, respiratory diseases, and birth defects to cancer and psychological problems.

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"It's important that veterans know there is help available, and we want to encourage them and their needs.

their children to call us," Smith said.

The South Carolina Services Information System is a statewide information referral system designed to help people of any age with any disability.

They also provide services such as counseling, therapy and diagnosis. The referral system helps callers find the right people to meet

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Dorm hosts forum on many topics

Subjects discussed included God, sex

By GREG RICKABAUGH Assistant Photography Editor

Controversy was the name of the game at Columbia Hall Wednesday night as the awardwinning residence hall held yet another program.

Racism, the existence of God, sex before marriage, and abortion were just a few of the heated topics on the agenda. As in many other programs, a few people were more opinionated than others, but every side seemed to be voiced before the night was over.

The night started with everyone standing on a spot labeled "0" for neutral. After two differing opinions were stated about a topic, students were to stand on a scale of 5 to 1 for support, -5 to -1 for opposition, or 0 for neutral. Opinions were then expressed about why they stood where they stood.

Sex before marriage

Surprisingly, not one student stood for the opinion that Sex before marriage is wrong. Over 70 percent stood favoring sex before marriage as a natural thing.

"Love is one thing. Sex is something else. A lot of people mistake it as the same thing," resident John Young stated. "If your old enough to accept it and take responsibility, then I think it's great."

One girl gave her opinion after being provoked: "You shouldn't look down on someone for having sex before marriage or for somebody who doesn't want to have sex before marriage.'

Again, most people stood on one side: in favor of legal abortions.

One R.A., Kim Turner felt strongly that it should be legal no matter what. "Because if I know that I can't raise that child even if I acted irresponsibly, I know that I can't take care of that child for the next 18 years," Turner said.

"There's only one choice left for me," she said.

Males should not voice their opinion on abortion, added Young, because males can walk away from it, whereas woman have to live with their decision.

Racism: Are all whites racists?

The mention of the word racism brought about a lengthy discussion between a black male, Robert Ellington, and a white female, Alexa Sloan.

Ellington held the opinion that it is impossible for a black person to be a racist. "You can only be a racist if you have control of the power structure and you can basically keep a certain group of people where you want them."

His opinion brought several disagreements, mainly from Sloan sitting next to Ellington.

"I worked with this girl and she was black, and she hated white people. That's racist."

Young had his opinion later, "If white is a race and black is a race, then it goes both ways."

Ellington admitted later that he could be racist against an American Indian, but not against whites.

Robert Ellington (far right) expresses his

opinion at "Controversy" Wednesday night at Columbia Hall. Lynne Bolt (far left) holds a sign saying the "controversial" opinion in her hands.

Organizations like the NAACP: Are they perpetuating segregation?

Every black in the room stood in opposition to the groups perpetuating segregation, while all white people seemed to remain neutral.

Donna Moore, a resident of Columbia Hall, said that most people fail to realize that the founding fathers of the NAACP were white. "Most people don't know that. Why? Because they don't inquire," she said.

One white male, Rob Abowitz, inquired into how many members are white presently, but his question could not be answered.

Moore went on to say that most of the organizations were formed because "our needs were not being met."

I disagree because you're trying to say whites can be prejudiced, but blacks can't.' Ellington said he could be a racist but not prejudiced, because he was not a part of the majority in this country.

"Well, you need to go look it up," said Sloan.





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