

Grand jury declines to indict ex-UGA student on rape charges

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A Clarke County grand jury this week declined to indict a former University of Georgia student on charges he raped a woman four years ago.

Jordan Thomas Coleman, 23, was arrested in April 2016 on the woman's claim he sexually assaulted her in June 2014. UGA subsequently expelled Coleman the following month.

The woman made the allegations to Athens-Clarke County police in February 2016 and Sex Crimes Unit investigators then obtained arrest warrants charging Coleman with rape and aggravated sodomy with force.

Then in May 2016, a second woman came forward with an allegation Coleman sexually assaulted her in November 2014, according to Athens-Clarke County police.

The Western Judicial Circuit District Attorney Office on Tuesday went forward only on the first woman's accusations, which resulted in the grand jury returning no-bills on charges of rape and aggravated sodomy, according to Clarke County Superior Court records.

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