

Bevin's contempt case not mentioned at latest child support hearing

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Former Gov. Matt Bevin was not present for a court hearing in his child support and divorce case Thursday, the first one since his arrest for contempt of court, but his attorneys appeared to make arguments on his behalf.

The case could reach a

resolution soon, but the judge in the case is requesting more information before making a ruling. The hearing occurred Thursday in downtown Louisville.

Bevin's attorney, Jesse Mudd, appeared on behalf of the former governor and argued that they have provided sufficient documentation for Jefferson Family Court Judge Angela John-

son to make a ruling. Bevin's unwillingness to provide financial documentation contributed to Johnson's decision to hold him in contempt previously.

One of Bevin's adopted children, Jonah, requested Thursday's hearing. Jonah intervened in the divorce case between Matt and Glenna Bevin and asked the court to grant him

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After hearing from mental health experts, Hardin County Circuit Court Judge Larry Ashlock gave his decision on March 18 to remove the death penalty in Caudill's case. Prosecutors are now seeking for life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Caudill's case was also delayed, and there have been multiple continuances granted to move many of Caudill's trial dates.

Originally, Caudill's first

trial date was set for Jan. 12, 2026, but was continued due to issues with the public defender's office.

Green said defense was going to look into Caudill's mental illness and his eligibility for trial.

"My hope is, by allowing the trial to be continued, it would give us more time to look at the case and get a better sense of what is going on and look more into the defendant's mental illness, given the complexity of the case," Green said previously.

The case was continued again due to Caudill not yet being evaluated by the

Kentucky Correctional Psychiatric Center.

Caudill's case was delayed a third time before a final trial date was set for Monday, Oct. 19.

In total, Caudill will stand trial on two counts of murder; first-degree arson; tampering with physical evidence; possession of a handgun by a convicted felon; two counts of first-degree robbery; and first-degree wanton endangerment — discharge of a firearm.

He is being held in lieu of a \$1 million cash bond at the Hardin County Detention Center.

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and think about what they've done."

Hardin Circuit Judge John Simcoe also addressed the couple. During formal sentencing, videos and photographic pictures were displayed for Simcoe and others to view during the public hearing.

"This video presentation, photographic evidence obviously brings it home to what occurred to this child who was in your care, who relied on you to be adults, to be parents, to provide sustenance, to provide

support emotionally and otherwise but you didn't," Simcoe said. "I don't know the reasons for that but I can think of no justification at all for that treatment. I could reject the plea agreement, but I'm not going to do that here today."

Simcoe said the reason he is not rejecting the plea is because he doesn't want the child to relive what they already endured.

Inman plead guilty to convicted felon in possession of a handgun; trafficking in marijuana; second-degree possession of a controlled substance — hallucinogen; and on an amended count of first-degree assault. All of

Inman's charges are enhanced due to Inman being a persistent felony offender.

While initially charged with complicity to commit first-degree criminal abuse — child younger than 12, in exchange for Inman's guilty plea, the Commonwealth amended his fourth charge.

Young's charges remained unchanged. Young plead guilty to complicity to commit first-degree criminal abuse — child younger than 12.

Both Young and Inman are being held at the Hardin County Detention Center.

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