

Ruling On Stratman Firing Due Within A Few Weeks

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We could hear in March or April whether Trisha Stratman can return to the La Crosse County sheriff's department.

The county corporation counsel's office says an arbitrator is preparing a final ruling on Stratman's request to work again as a sheriff's deputy. Final written arguments recently were submitted to the arbitrator. The sheriff's office dismissed Stratman months after her squad car collided with a car driven by teenager Brandon Jennings of Holmen, killing Jennings. According to department policy, Stratman was traveling too fast to stop safely while responding to a report of a bar fight in Holmen.