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Grand jury 294 continuing P-1 Fezell case

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AUSTIN — A federal grand jury convened again Friday at U.S. District Court in Austin in the continuing investigation of McLennan County District Attorney Vic Fezell.

The jury met in the morning and adjourned about 6 p.m. Waco attorney Dick Kettler, former law partner of Fezell, appeared in court.

The grand jury has been investigating Fezell on allegations of impropriety in the district attorney's office for about a year. Assistant U.S. Attorney Jan Patterson initiated the investigation saying there is a "serious crime problem" in McLennan County.

Last month, Waco attorneys Ken Crow and Ron Moody appeared before the grand jury.

Fezell's administrative assistant, John Ben Sutter, was subpoenaed to testify before the grand jury in May, but has not been summoned to appear.

No indictments were filed Friday by the grand jury.

Kettler declined to comment.