

Federal Judge in Brooklyn Grants Day's Recess in 4th Abscam Trial

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Federal Judge Mark A. Costantino yesterday **granted** a 24-hour **recess** in the **trial** of Alexander A. Alexandro Jr., a former immigration officer charged with accepting \$2,000 from undercover agents.

The **recess** was **granted** because Mr. Alexandro's attorney, Joel Winograd, was ill.

Judge grants one day delay in "**Abscam**" **trial** of immigration official Alexander Alexandro who was accused of accepting bribe. Closing arguments in the **trial**, now in its ninth day, had been expected today.

The **trial** of the 31-year-old Mr. Alexandro, who lives in Commack, L.I., in District Court in **Brooklyn** is the fourth **Abscam trial** to date. He is charged with taking the money in exchange for his promise to help obtain permanent residency in the United States for a foreigner who was not entitled to it.

Mr. Alexandro has not denied taking the money, but he has maintained that he was holding the cash while conducting his own investigation into what he thought was an organized-crime operation.

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