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Genesee County Sheriff Robert Pickell says elder abuse official was able to visit home of Prosecutor David Leyton's in-laws

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GENESEE COUNTY -- County Sheriff Robert Pickell said an official with his Elder Abuse and Exploitation Prevention Program was able to revisit the in-laws of county Prosecutor David Leyton today after not having been allowed to visit previously.

Chief Probate Judge Jennie E. Barkey issued an order for the visit on Tuesday after Diane Nims, executive director of the elder abuse program, said in a letter to the court that Leyton's 82-year-old mother-in-law had rejected an earlier visit.

Pickell said he did not have any additional information about today's visit.

Barkey's order instructed the elder abuse program to conduct a geriatric assessment of the couple's current condition in their home. They are at the center of legal fight in which three siblings, including Leyton's wife, Therese, oppose petitions for guardianship and conservatorship requested by another sibling.

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