



# Ex-child psychologist granted new sex assault trial

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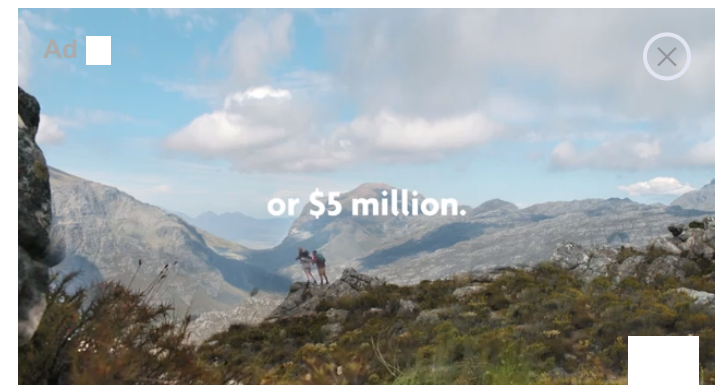
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Foad Afshar was expected to be released Tuesday night after a judge in Concord threw out his sexual assault conviction.

Jurors convicted Afshar, of Bow, last summer of sexually assaulting the boy during a January 2015 therapy session in Concord. He was sentenced to a three- to six-year prison sentence.

Two jurors revealed during deliberations that they were victims of child sexual abuse. Afshar



argued in his motion for a new trial this year that this was not disclosed, therefore he had not received a fair trial.

The judge on Tuesday agreed, ruling that the jurors were biased.

A trial date hasn't been set.

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