

# It's in hands of DA now – ex gal pal of Paterson aide

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THE WOMAN who says she was attacked by a former top aide to Gov. Paterson met with Bronx prosecutors yesterday for more than three hours.

"It's in the Bronx DA's hands now," said Sherr-una Booker's lawyer, Ken Thompson, as they left. "We have confidence in the Bronx DA's office."

Booker wants prosecutors to charge her ex-boyfriend, David Johnson. She says he choked her, ripped her clothes off and slammed her into a dresser on Halloween night.

Cops took a report that night, but referred her to Family Court. She got an order of protection against Johnson but dropped it after a phone call from Paterson – and after she said state police pressured her to drop the case.

Five state officials resigned when Booker's allegations were revealed, and Paterson dropped his plans to run for election.

Attorney General Andrew Cuomo asked former chief Judge Judith Kaye to investigate what

Paterson and his administration did in response to Booker's complaint.

Booker, a 41-year-old mother of two, told the Daily News and WNBC-TV this week she wants prosecutors to charge Johnson as an example for other abused women.

"She's walking into the building not because she wants to but because she must do so in order to stand up for her rights and the rights of all women who have been victims of domestic violence," Thompson said.

"We hope to hold David Johnson accountable for what he did to Ms. Booker. The truth is going to come out."

Booker said nothing to reporters when she entered and left the offices of Bronx District Attorney Robert Johnson, who is not related to David Johnson.

"We met with her this morning," said Steven Reed, a spokesman for the district attorney. "I'm not going into particulars."

Neither Thompson nor Reed would say if Kaye had an investigator at the meeting.

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