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Judge postpones verdict in Microsoft antitrust lawsuit

CHICAGO (AP) — Talks between the federal government and Microsoft broke down Saturday as a judge here trying to mediate a settlement in the antitrust lawsuit against the software giant said he was ending his effort.

Last week, the judge hearing the case in Washington postponed his ruling to give the two sides more time to talk.

Federal appeals court Judge Richard Posner said that since accepting the task, he had tried to find a common ground that might enable the two sides to settle their differences.

"After more than four months, it is apparent that the disagreements among the parties concerning the likely course, outcome, and consequences of continued litigation, as well as the implications and ramifications of alternative terms of settlement, are too deep-seated to be bridged," Posner said in a statement.

Posner said he won't make any comment on the merits of the litigation, or on the negotiating positions of the parties involved.

"It's unfortunate that a settlement wasn't possible," Microsoft Chairperson Bill Gates said in a conference call. "Microsoft certainly went the extra mile."

Gates said the Microsoft mediation team had devoted more than 3,000 hours to the settlement effort over the four months of talks and that the company had offered "significant concessions."

But Gates reiterated that he believes the company has a strong legal case and dismissed suggestions that the breakdown of talks represented a "corporate death penalty" for Microsoft.

"We are long-term players in the judicial process,"

said Bill Neukom, Microsoft executive vice president and general counsel.

In Washington, Joel I. Klein, the assistant attorney general in charge of the Justice Department antitrust division, said in a statement: "We would have preferred an effective settlement to continued litigation. But settlement for settlement's sake would be pointless."

Klein said if the ruling goes against Microsoft, the

case to give both sides more time to hammer out a possible out-of-court settlement.

Jackson has encouraged the parties to meet with attorneys have said.

Both sides have reason to reach a settlement. Microsoft, a harsh ruling could be used against the company in dozens of class-action lawsuits filed by both rivals and clients.

The government, meanwhile, would have to wait before the company is forced to change its behavior. Once Jackson issues a verdict, he would hold additional hearings to determine what conditions to impose. Microsoft would likely appeal the decision, possibly tying up the case for several years in court that could ultimately overturn parts of the initial judgment.

Jackson had warned lawyers that he would announce his final ruling as early as Tuesday if he failed to make significant progress toward a settlement.

A recording at the federal courthouse Saturday confirmed the verdict would not be issued Tuesday if no additional information.

Microsoft officials — including Gates — argued with government attorneys just days before the Justice Department filed its original complaint. An agreement appeared likely until government lawyers complained that Gates reconsidered an offer he made. The deal fell through, and the government filed suit.

Once Jackson issues a verdict, he would hold additional hearings to determine what sanctions to impose.

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Justice Department "will seek a remedy that prevents Microsoft from using its monopoly in the future to stifle competition."

At issue is a lawsuit filed by the federal government and 19 states alleging that Microsoft repeatedly engaged in illegal anti-competitive behavior by using monopoly power.

U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson in Washington, D.C., agreed with nearly all the allegations in an initial findings in November. He said the company's aggressive use of its monopoly status stifled innovation and hurt consumers by limiting choices.

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FBI arrests parents in Texas kidnapping

NEW YORK (AP) — It was the summer of 1997. Gangandep Bakshi was a Queens teen-ager whose strict Sikh family was apparently unaware she was falling in love over the Internet with a man outside her religion.

Two years later, at age 18, Bakshi ran off to Houston to live with the man. What happened next has become the focus of an unusual federal kidnapping case.

The FBI arrested Bakshi's parents, Agyapal and Kamla Singh, and her two older sisters last week at their New York home after they were indicted in Texas. The 55-year-old father was ordered jailed until a scheduled arraignment as a threat to his daughter.

The indictment charges the four family members brutally abducted Bakshi last August from her Hindu lover's Houston apartment — at one point "beating her into submission" — because they objected to the romance. The victim also claims her father drugged her and threatened to "cut her to pieces."

Even though Bakshi quickly fled her family again, married the man and moved out of Houston, Bakshi has told investigators that her father has been using connections in Indian enclaves in Texas and elsewhere to locate and harass her. The FBI says fear has driven the couple into hiding.

Defense attorneys vigorously deny the allegations, insisting Singh is a respected member of the Queens Sikh community. They accuse prosecutors of turning a simple family dispute into a full-blown federal case, and portrayed Bakshi's husband as someone who took advantage of a naive teen-ager in cyberspace.

"If it hadn't been for the marvel of comput-

ers, none of us might be here right now," one attorney, Rafael Abramovitz, said during a hearing in Brooklyn federal court last week attended by several of Singh's Sikh supporters.

But Assistant U.S. Attorney Christina Dugger argued that Singh was a threat.

"This isn't a case about some internet Lothario who seduced a girl," Dugger said. "This is about a man who's been indicted in Texas for a violent crime."

After the hearing, another defense attorney, William Watanabe, declined to offer more information about Singh.

Court papers do not name Bakshi's husband. Authorities would only describe him as a Hindu man in his 20s.

According to statements Bakshi made to the FBI, the trouble began when she used an airline ticket provided by her then-boyfriend to join him in Houston. The pair had secretly seen each other for the first time in New York City before that.

On Aug. 24, after learning Bakshi was gone, Singh, his wife and two daughters, ages 24 and 29, set out from Queens in rented van to find her. At about 5:30 a.m. on Aug. 24, the victim was awakened by a knock at the door.

Authorities allege Singh lured his daughter outside and dragged her into the van. A neighbor leaving for work told the FBI he heard screaming, then saw a turbaned man "ball his fist, cock back and punch this girl in the stomach," FBI agent Eric Johnson testified.

Bakshi told the FBI that while en route back to New York, her parents punched and slapped her for an hour. She also claimed her father forced her to drink a substance that made her pass out.

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N.H. Justices urged to resign

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — A crisis involving allegations of violations at New Hampshire's Supreme Court kept lawmakers during the weekend, researching impeachment procedures to arrange a less drastic solution.

While some worked to persuade Chief Justice David Brock to resign and avoid a protracted and damaging legislative battle, others questioned whether a clean sweep of the court wouldn't be better.

Legislative leaders wouldn't comment on whether Brock or three others should resign, but several rank-and-file legislators that may be the only way to restore public confidence in the court. "If nobody trusts that group of people — whether it's the state Rep. James Craig. "It may be the only way to save the integrity of the judicial branch."

State Rep. Paul Mirski said Saturday he would file a bill to impeach or otherwise remove Brock, and state House leaders repeated the mechanics of such a move.

"We're looking to see how it's done in the event we need to go forward," House Speaker Donna Sytek said Sunday. "What's at stake is the people's confidence in the court."

On Friday, Justice W. Stephen Thayer resigned after being accused of criminal ethics violations. In return, Attorney General McLaughlin promised not to prosecute.

McLaughlin issued a 25-page report that not only detailed the transgressions but also accused the entire court of ethics violations. He said it was an "institutional practice" for judges who had excused themselves from cases to review and discuss draft decisions in their chambers.

McLaughlin said the chief justice broke the law just by listening to Thayer. He said Thayer, 54, tried to influence the selection of substitute judges when his own divorce case came before the high court.

McLaughlin is expected to release investigators' reports this week and sources say material in them could be more damaging than the report released Friday.

In addition, the Judicial Conduct Committee will be conducting an ethics investigation of Brock, Justice Sherman Horton, Justice Broderick and retired Justice William Johnson.

Horton had stunned lawmakers Saturday by saying the ethics case was overblown, and on Sunday several lawmakers said his comments revealed an arrogant and cavalier attitude on the court.

"I read the comments by Horton and I wasn't happy. I think there might be more than one judge" whose job is at risk, said state Sen. Mary Brown. "If this is true, this is institutional. If you have a judge who says it's not a big deal, that bothers me."

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