



## Husband of former Sen. Halseth indicted on lewdness, battery charges

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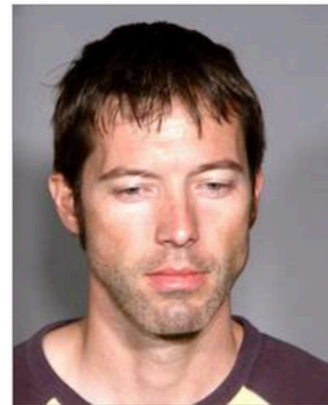
A Clark County grand jury on Thursday indicted Daniel Halseth on three counts stemming from an incident with his wife at the time, former state Sen. Elizabeth Halseth.

Daniel Halseth, 32, was arrested in October 2011 after Elizabeth Halseth's mother alerted Metro Police about a troubling phone call she received from her daughter. She told police that Daniel Halseth had allegedly been controlling Elizabeth.

She said he had prevented Elizabeth from leaving the home by taking her phone, purse and car keys. When police intervened, Elizabeth said her husband had tried to force her to have sex with him on Oct. 16.

Police arrested Daniel Halseth on suspicion of "open and gross lewdness." Elizabeth Halseth has since filed for divorce, but it is unclear whether they're married at this time.

Daniel Halseth will face felony counts of coercion for preventing Elizabeth Halseth from leaving the home and battery with intent to commit a crime for using force to try to make her have sex with him. He also faces a gross misdemeanor charge of open or gross lewdness for inappropriately touching her.



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Daniel Halseth



Elizabeth Halseth