

Rep Of Serdang DAP Candidate Claims Trial To Locking Ballot Boxes Without Authority
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KAJANG, May 3 (Bernama) -- A representative of the DAP candidate contesting the Serdang parliamentary seat in the 13th general election pleaded not guilty in the Magistrate's Court today to locking two ballot boxes during the early voting process on Tuesday.

Property consultant Susan Lee Pek Sim, 54, was charged with locking the two boxes with her own locks without rightful authority at the hall of the 21st military command of the Royal Engineers (Territorial Army) Regiment in Kajang Utama here at 7.15 pm on April 30.

She was charged under Section 3(1)(i) of the Election Offences Act 1954 which provides for a maximum jail term of two years or a fine of up to RM5,000 or both upon conviction.

Deputy Public Prosecutor Khairunnisa Hazwani Omar proposed bail of RM4,000 in one surety but Lee's counsel New Sin Yew asked the amount to be reduced to RM1,000.

Magistrate Abdul Jalil Salam Mohamad allowed Lee bail of RM2,500 in one surety and set June 3 for mention of the case.

The DAP candidate for Serdang is Dr Ong Kian Ming, who is facing Datuk Yap Pian Hon of the Barisan Nasional (BN) in a straight fight.

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