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## **DWI trial of former town supervisor to begin Monday in Riverhead**

Opening statements in the drunk driving trial of former Southampton Town Supervisor Linda Kabot are scheduled for Monday January 31 in Riverhead Town Justice Court.

Police charged Kabot with driving while intoxicated, refusal to submit to a pre-screen breath test, failure to maintain lane and failure to stop at a stop sign. Kabot, 43, of Quogue, has pleaded not guilty to the charges.

Ms. Kabot was arrested on Main Street in Westhampton Beach on Labor Day weekend in 2009. Police stopped her shortly before midnight on Sunday, September 6, 2009 and arrested her at 12:25 a.m. on Monday, September 7.

According to the complaint, police observed “a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on her breath, her eyes were red and glassy and she appeared uncoordinated”. The complaint also reported “The subject also failed field sobriety tests”.

Ms. Kabot refused to take tests to measure her blood alcohol level.

Riverhead Town Justice Allen Smith will preside at trial.

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Every defendant is presumed innocent, unless and until found guilty beyond a reasonable doubt following a trial at which the defendant has all of the trial rights guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution and federal law.