

Prosecutor Threatens Son of United Russia Deputy

April 11, 2011

The  Moscow Times

In an odd "shower rage" incident, a senior prosecutor and a legislator's son clashed Friday over a shower stall in a posh fitness club on Rublyovskoye Shosse outside Moscow.

The fight was started by Deputy Prosecutor General Vladimir Yalunin, who claimed that Alexander Zvagelsky, son of a State Duma deputy with the ruling United Russia, occupied the shower for too long after taking a swim in the pool, Lifenews.ru reported.

The conflict between the 16-year-old Zvagelsky and Yalunin, 59, who holds the rank of a general, ended in a tussle with light injuries for both, the report said.

Other shower stalls were available, but Yalunin failed to explain why he did not use them, the report said. Club employees had to intervene to stop the fight.

The prosecutor voiced threats after the fight, Zvagelsky's father said.

"He screamed at my son that he would not live to be 17 and that he has a spot available

in prison," Viktor Zvagelsky said. "When the kid got scared and promised to complain to me, he said that I could shove my deputy's mandate, that I would only be deputy until I meet him and that I have a meeting with [Prosecutor General Yury] Chaika coming up."

"No one has abolished the Criminal Code article on death threats," Viktor Zvagelsky added. The article carries a maximum prison sentence of five years.

Viktor Zvagelsky did not comment on the incident Monday. The Prosecutor General's Office also kept silent on the incident, which is being investigated by police.

Original url:

<https://www.themoscowtimes.com/2011/04/11/prosecutor-threatens-son-of-united-russia-deputy-a624>