Montgomery Continues to Avoid Questions

By [redacted]

[redacted] CITY, May 22 — With his career under scrutiny [redacted] Montgomery, skipped news conferences before [redacted] Saturday, continuing his refusal to speak on the subject.

Montgomery's handlers said that he would grant interviews only if he were not asked about [redacted] or [redacted] Montgomery said Friday night, "I ain't got nothing to say."

Last Sunday, he did not appear at a scheduled news conference [redacted] in New York.

Montgomery has been linked to [redacted]

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Questions about the [redacted] or [redacted] are considered off limits.

pleaded not guilty.

[redacted] Montgomery [redacted] denied [redacted]. Jones has asked the anti-doping agency for a meeting, saying that rumors are tarnishing her image and that she wants her name cleared immediately. The meeting is expected to take place shortly.

Montgomery has hired a criminal defense lawyer, Cristina C. Arguedas of Emeryville, Calif., near San Francisco. In a telephone interview Friday, Arguedas said that neither she nor Montgomery had been contacted by the anti-doping agency.

"We haven't heard from them," Arguedas said. "We're not negotiating with them, nothing." She said she would decide in the coming days whether to ask for a meeting [redacted]

Last month, [redacted] meters in a disappointing 10.27 seconds — far off his world record of 9.78 — Montgomery was asked about [redacted]. His answer was familiarly convoluted.

"After the case everything will be proven," Montgomery said. "Because a guy, you talk to a person and they made an assumption that they want to ask you questions, I have nothing to do with that."

Montgomery [redacted] meet here Saturday night. He said [redacted] he was seeking a fast time that might give him confidence [redacted]

"All my life I've had to deal with the pressure," he said. "So much pressure. [redacted]

Montgomery admitted that he had been having trouble sleeping [redacted] Italian sports car with his agent on [redacted]

"I'm a gambling man," Montgomery said. "I like taking risks."