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Former Teacher Arraigned for Having a Sexual Relationship with a 15 Year Old Girl

Mount Clemens, MI - Today, a 71 year old Macomb Township man was arraigned in connection with having a romantic relationship with a 15 year old girl.

It is alleged that Rex Phelps initiated a sexual relationship with a 15 year old girl who he was teaching about airplanes. The two had sexual relations at the Ray Community Airport and during flights the two took. Phelps is a retired teacher from Dakota High School in Macomb.

Phelps is charged with Accosting a Minor (4 year felony,) and two counts of Criminal Sexual Conduct Fourth Degree (2 year High Court Misdemeanor.) Additional charges may be added by the Federal Government.

“Thank you to the Michigan State Police for their quick response to this matter, said Macomb County Prosecutor Peter J. Lucido.

Phelps was arraigned today in Romeo District Court. Judge Andary set Phelps bond at \$50,000.00 cash, no 10% with bond conditions that require drug and alcohol testing, a GPS tether, surrender of his passport, and no contact with anyone under 18 years of age. The defendant’s probable cause hearing was scheduled for Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 1:00 pm with his preliminary exam scheduled for Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 10:45 am.

The Macomb County Prosecutor’s office represents the people. We are committed to achieving justice and following the laws of the State of Michigan. All that are accused of a crime are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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