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## **Sterling Heights Man Arraigned for a Pedestrian Hit and Run Hate Crime**

Mount Clemens, MI - Yesterday, 62-year-old Mohammed Meah of Sterling Heights was arraigned for an alleged Hate Crime in connection with a hit and run on a pedestrian in Sterling Heights.

On Friday, January 5, 2024, Meah allegedly intentionally hit a random pedestrian with his vehicle at the intersection of 15 Mile and Dodge Park. The defendant claimed the victim was racist. Meah was charged with Assault with Intent to Murder (life felony), Ethnic Intimidation (two year felony), and Failure to Stop at Scene of a Personal Injury Accident (one year misdemeanor).

Mohammed Meah was arraigned in Sterling Heights District Court by Magistrate Michael Piatek where the bond was set at \$500,000 cash/surety only and upon release he must wear a GPS tether. A Probable Cause Conference is scheduled for Monday, January 22, 2024 at 1:30 pm via Zoom and a Preliminary Exam is scheduled for Monday, January 29, 2024 at 1:30pm in front of District Court Judge Stephen Sierawski.

"The Macomb County Prosecutor's Office Hate Crimes Unit remains unwavering. Unit Chief Patrick Coletta reinforces our dedication to eradicating hate from our community. We will tirelessly prosecute those who choose prejudice over unity," said Macomb County Prosecutor Peter J. Lucido.

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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