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Fraser IT Director Arraigned on Embezzlement Charge

Mount Clemens, MI - On Thursday, April 20, 2023, Michele Kwiatkowski, the former IT Director of the City of Fraser, was arraigned after the City of Fraser requested the Michigan State Police investigate her credit card purchases on the city credit card.

It is alleged that from January 2016 through 2020 Michele Kwiatkowski used the City of Fraser's American Express credit card to purchase personal items.

Kwiatkowski is charged with Embezzlement of over \$100,000.00 (20 Year Felony.) She was arraigned in 39th District Court in front of District Court Judge Alyia Hakim, who set a \$5,000 personal bond.

The probable cause hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 8:30 am and the preliminary exam is scheduled for Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at 8:30 am in front of District Court Judge Kathleen Tocco.

"Public corruption strikes at the very heart of our democracy, eroding public trust and undermining the rule of law. When individuals in positions of public trust use their power for personal gain, they betray the public they serve. This brazen conduct cannot and will not be tolerated in Macomb County," 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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