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Mother Arraigned for Assault of Shelby Twp. Police Officer

Mount Clemens, MI - Today, Manal Kassab, age 46, was arraigned in connection with an assault on two Shelby Twp. police officers at her Utica residence. Her husband and two teenage sons were arraigned last week for charges stemming from the same altercation.

On Saturday, September 9, 2023, two Shelby Twp. Police Officers went to the home of two juvenile's who were suspected of shooting at another vehicle. Officers arrived and attempted to tow the suspects' vehicle during their investigation. It is alleged that Sam Kassab became verbally upset and tried to block the tow truck. Sam Kassab, his wife Manal, and their 16 year-old and 15 year-old sons assaulted two Shelby Twp. police officers during this altercation.

Manal Kassab was charged with Assaulting/Resisting/Obstructing a Police Officer (two-year felony). She was arraigned today in Shelby District Court in front of Judge Douglas Shepherd who set bond at \$50,000, 10%. A Probable Cause Hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at 9:00 am.

Sam Kassab, age 55, was charged with:

- Assaulting/Obstructing a Police Officer Causing Serious Impairment (15 Year Felony)
- Assaulting/Resisting/Obstructing a Police Officer Causing Injury (four-year felony)
- Assaulting/Resisting/Obstructing a Police Officer (two-year felony)

On Monday, September 13, 2023, Sam Kassab was arraigned in Shelby District Court by Judge Douglas Shepherd who set bond at \$100,000 cash/surety. A Probable Cause Hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at 9:00 am and the Preliminary Exam is scheduled for Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 3:00 pm.

The 16-Year-old juvenile is charged with three counts of Resisting/Obstructing a Police Officer (two-year felony). He was arraigned in front of Macomb County Juvenile Referee Kristin Stone where she set bond at \$500 cash/surety, or 10% with bond conditions that he follow the rules at home, school and the law of the State of Michigan.

The 15-year old juvenile was charged with:

- Assaulting/Obstructing a Police Officer Causing Serious Impairment (15 Year Felony)
- Assaulting/Resisting/Obstructing a Police Officer Causing Injury (four-year felony)
- Assaulting/Resisting/Obstructing a Police Officer (two-year felony)
- Assault and Battery (93-day misdemeanor)

The 15-year old juvenile was arraigned by Macomb County Juvenile Referee Kristin Stone where she set bond at \$500 cash/surety, or 10% with bond conditions that he follow the rules at home, school and the law of the State of Michigan.

The two juveniles have a pretrial hearing scheduled for Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 11:00 am in front of Macomb County Juvenile Referee Michael Gibbs.

"We will never tolerate any violent or assaultive behavior towards those who protect and serve our communities. Our commitment to preserving the safety and well-being of law enforcement officers remains unwavering. It is crucial that we address such incidents with the utmost seriousness," 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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