

Attorney Withdraws in Agg Battery Case

(KNZA)--The preliminary hearing for a Hiawatha man charged with aggravated battery has been pushed back again after his attorney withdraws from the case.

A judge Tuesday granted a motion by Andy Delaney to withdraw as the attorney for 26-year-old Michael McCann. Judd Herbster, of Sabetha, was then appointed to represent McCann. His preliminary hearing was rescheduled for November 18th.

McCann is charged in connection with an alleged domestic violence incident in early August.

He was arrested August 15th after he was found hiding out at a Hiawatha residence. Police were able to ping his phone to the residence.

55-year-old John Speckhals, of Hiawatha, has been charged with a felony count of obstructing apprehension for allegedly harboring McCann. A preliminary hearing for Speckhals is set for October 28th. He remains free on bond.

McCann remains in the Brown County Jail on a \$75,000 bond.

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