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Stabbing Suspect Makes Court Appearance

(KNZA)--A December 10th preliminary hearing has been set for a Horton man charged in connection with a stabbing in Holton last week.

Jackson County Attorney Shawna Miller told MSC News that 22-year-old Austin Lee Whitebird made his first appearance in court Monday afternoon by video link from the Jackson County Jail on a charge of aggravated battery.

Whitebird is accused of stabbing a 26-year-old man, whose identity hasn't been made public, multiple times at a residence at 123 New York Street in Holton on the evening of November 23rd.

The victim was initially taken to the Holton hospital for treatment of life-threatening injuries and then later transferred to a Topeka hospital.

Whitebird was arrested by Jackson County Sheriff's deputies the following day after he was located in a vehicle south of Holton.

He remains in the Jackson County Jail on a \$50,000 bond.

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