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Clayton Man Indicted for Shooting at Estranged Wife

State v. James Deaton, 2016-CR-66

DAYTON, OH (01/14/2016) – Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that **James A. Deaton**, 48, of Clayton, has been indicted for charges relating to the shooting of a firearm at his estranged wife, and striking her vehicle.

On January 5, 2016, the victim was at the home she formerly shared with the defendant to collect some of her personal property. When he brandished a firearm, she fled the residence in her vehicle. The defendant fired two times at her as she was driving away, striking her car in the driver's side door and the gas tank.

The victim fled to the Englewood Police Department where she reported the incident.

Today, the defendant was indicted on:

- One count of Felonious Assault with a deadly weapon
- One count of Discharge of a Firearm On or Near Prohibited Premises
- One count of Abduction
- One count of Domestic Violence

All of the counts except for domestic violence have a 3-year firearm specification because the defendant used a firearm when committing the crimes.

The defendant is currently out of jail on the Electronic Home Detention Program after posting a \$100,000 bond. He is scheduled to be arraigned on January 28, 2016 at 8:30 am.

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