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State Senator Virgil Smith Charged in Shooting Incident

Prosecutor Kym L. Worthy has charged State Senator Virgil Smith, 35, of Detroit, in connection with a shooting incident involving his 35-year-old ex-wife. On May 10, 2015 at approximately 1:00 a.m., Smith's ex-wife came to his home on Wexford Street and discovered another woman there. It is alleged that Smith physically assaulted his ex-wife and shot at her 2015 Mercedes multiple times with a rifle.

Smith has been charged with Felonious Assault, Malicious Destruction of Personal Property \$20,000 or more, Domestic Violence, Assault and Battery and Felony Firearm. He was arraigned in 36th District Court today and received a \$25,000/10% bond. His probable cause hearing will be held on May 22, 2015 and his preliminary examination will be held on May 29, 2015.

Prosecutor Worthy said, "The alleged actions of Senator Smith cannot and will not be tolerated. We asked for further work on the warrant and the information was received this morning. We let the facts and evidence guide our charging decision and nothing else."

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