## Lansing man sentenced for beating wife, destroying evidence

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LEAVENWORTH, Kan. --- Lt. Col. Greg A. Pasquantonio, who pled guilty to beating his wife inside their Lansing home and no contest to destroying Ring video evidence, has been sentenced.

Pasquantonio, 40, pled guilty on August 3, 2023, to one count of aggravated battery and no contest to one count of interference with law enforcement.

During Wednesday's sentencing hearing, it was determined that Pasquantonio fell within border-box findings due to no criminal history, according to Kansas sentencing guidelines. The Kansas sentencing guidelines determine if a person is presumptive prison or probation. When someone is found to be in border box, the Judge can determine them to be eligible for probation based on an argument by the defense. The Leavenworth County Attorney's office argued the defendant should serve his prison sentence. Instead, District Court Judge Gerald Kuckelman gave Pasquantonio probation. Judge Kuckelman ordered the defendant to serve 36 months of supervised probation. If Pasquantonio violates the terms of probation, he could be subject to serve the underlying sentence of 40 months in prison.

Lansing police arrested Pasquantonio on December 1, 2022, after receiving a medical call regarding Pasquantonio's wife, who had lost consciousness and was severely injured inside the Pasquantonio home. According to court documents, Pasquantonio got angry and caused great bodily harm to his wife by beating her with his fists, hands, and feet until she lost consciousness.

On December 2, 2022, District Court Judge Kuckelman granted the defense's request to reduce the bond amount over the prosecutor's objection. After bonding out, Pasquantonio altered and destroyed evidence intending to hinder prosecution. Although Pasquantonio was ordered to preserve all electronic evidence in this case, specifically the Ring camera footage, Pasquantonio deleted all relevant videos of the incident and deleted access to the Ring camera account. Pasquantonio admitted to altering account access, and a search warrant of Ring determined the account holder had deleted all videos.

Leavenworth County Attorney Todd Thompson said, "Domestic violence doesn't care about race, age, education, or profession. Our focus is to protect our victims. We tried to do this here. We will always fight for them and work to keep them safe."