## Man awaits sentencing in aggravated assault case

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CASE NUMBER: LV-2024-CR-000140

LEAVENWORTH, Kan. --- A man who was arrested after firing shots inside a Lansing home awaits sentencing.

During a hearing held Wednesday, July 31, 2024, Paul E. Herbert, a 55-year-old Lansing, Kansas, man, pleaded no contest to Aggravated Assault.

According to court documents, Herbert was arrested on Apr. 12, 2024, after Lansing police officers and troopers from the Kansas Highway Patrol responded to a report of shots fired inside a house near the intersection of Olive Street and 1<sup>st</sup> Street Terrace in Lansing.

When officers arrived at the scene, they observed two women and a dog escaping through an open window. After ensuring their safety, officers contacted Herbert via cell phone. Herbert initially agreed to exit the house unarmed. However, as he stepped outside, he attempted to retreat into the house. At that moment, a law enforcement officer successfully deployed a taser, allowing them to take Herbert into custody. Following Herbert's arrest, officers found guns and ammo inside the house.

Leavenworth County Attorney Todd Thompson said, "A shots fired incident inside a home is never safe. It is unsafe for responding officers, neighbors, and anyone else who happens to be inside the home."

Sentencing is scheduled for Sept. 1, 2024.