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DOCTOR CHARGED WITH SEXUAL ASSAULT OF FEMALE PATIENT

Prosecutor Kym L. Worthy has charged Dr. Joseph T. Paupore, D.O., 42 of Belleville with Criminal Sexual Conduct 4th Degree, a misdemeanor which carries a maximum penalty of two years in prison or a fine of \$500, or both. Under MCL 750.520e, a person is guilty of this crime if he or she engages in sexual contact during medical treatment or examination in a manner or for purposes, which are medically recognized as unethical or unacceptable.

On July 28, 2007 and August 24, 2007, Dr. Paupore treated a 37-year-old woman at his office located in the 19000 block of Merriman Road. The doctor allegedly asked the patient on two occasions to remove her clothes and touched her in a sexually inappropriate manner under the pretense of giving her chiropractic adjustments.

"We believe there may be other victims that are either afraid or embarrassed to come forward," said Prosecutor Worthy. "If you or someone you know has been victimized by this individual please call: Sgt. Shelley Holloway of the Livonia Police Department at: (734) 466-2325."

Dr. Paupore was arraigned today in 16th District Court in Livonia before Judge Kathleen J. McCann. He received a \$10,000 /10% bond and the preliminary examination will be held in 16th District Court on November 15, 2007.

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