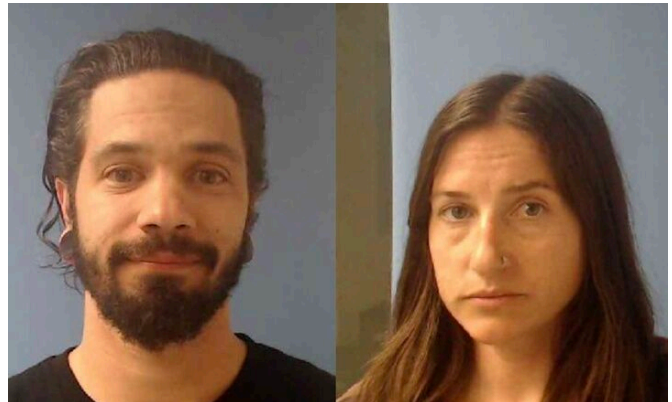


Felony suspects enter their pleas: Not Guilty!

October 8, 2024



In two separate felony arraignment hearings, the charged suspects all entered Not Guilty pleas before Superior Court Judge Robert Cochran, last Tuesday afternoon. Levi Mills, 33 and Megan Warner, 32 entered Not Guilty pleas for possession of illegal explosives, selling/ ETC dangerous fireworks, Willful Cruelty to a Child, Sell/ use unclassified fireworks, Possession of fireworks without permit, Discharge fireworks likely to injure, Obstruction/ Resists Public Officer.

Both suspects are out of custody, each on \$50,000 bond.

The suspects are charged with the July 4th Fireworks explosions on crowded South Beach which severely injured a now four year old child and injured 14 others who were enjoying the professional fireworks show from the Crescent City Jetty.

Judge Cochran set Preliminary Hearing for Wednesday, November 19 at 9AM in Department 2.

In an unrelated case, suspect Shakiyla Bryant, 52 entered Not Guilty Pleas for Driving Under the Influence, Murder / Man slaughter allegedly causing the death of 56 year old Winston Luttrell, who was riding his motorcycle south on 101 in Smith River, when, according according to the California Highway Patrol, suspect Bryant pulled out into traffic from Mouth of the Smith River Road. Luttrell was unable to brake his motorcycle and slammed into Bryant's vehicle.

The CHP reported suspect Shakiyla Bryant, of Smith River blew a .18 blood alcohol. .08 alcohol is the legal limit to operate a vehicle in California.

District Attorney Kathrine Micks stated suspect Bryant has two previous DUIs on her record.

Bryant entered Not Guilty pleas on all charges and will report to Dept.2 for a Preliminary Hearing, Wednesday, November 19th at 9AM.