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Press Release

Coach accused of attacking ref arraigned, Ordered to stay away from youth sports events

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A Taunton man has been ordered to stay away from all youth sporting events and have no contact with the high school hockey referee he allegedly assaulted following a game in Foxboro, according to Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey.

William C. Kenney III, age 46, of Reed Street in Taunton, pled not guilty to Assault and Battery and Disorderly Conduct in Wrentham District Court on January 15, 2015. The alleged incident took place at the Foxboro Sports Center following a hockey game between Taunton High School and King Philip High School.

A Foxboro Police Lieutenant, who was working a detail at the game Wednesday night, made the arrest after Kenney allegedly became physical during an altercation with a man who had just refereed the game. Taunton's team, with which Kenney is associated in a coaching capacity, had lost the game.

The alleged victim, who had visible injury according to police, declined to be transported to a hospital.

Kenney was ordered to return to Wrentham District Court on March 18 for pre-trial conference. He was released on personal recognizance, but given statutory bail warnings that if he is re-arrested or violates the judge's orders, he can be ordered held without bail for up to 60 days.