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CANTON

**Detroit officer charged in assault** A Detroit police officer was arraigned Thursday on charges he tortured his ex-girlfriend this week at a Canton house.

An attorney for Gary A. Steele, 42, entered a not-guilty plea on his behalf in 35th District Court in Plymouth.

Steele faces multiple charges, including torture and assault with intent to commit murder. He faces life in prison if convicted of the most serious of the charges, Canton police said.

Bail was set at \$500,000, and Steele was taken to the Wayne County Jail after the hearing, police said.

Steele was arrested Tuesday after shots were fired during an argument at a house in a subdivision near Canton Center and Cherry Hill roads about 12:30 p.m. He was off duty at the time.

He is scheduled to appear in court again March 17.

Steele has been suspended with pay from the Detroit Police Department.

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