

Woman testifies in torture hearing - Marco Grant , the woman's boyfriend and father of her son, allegedly was enraged over numbers on her phone.

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WARREN -- A tearful 27-year-old woman took the stand in Warren District Court Thursday to recount the nearly eight hours of torture and abuse she allegedly suffered from a jealous boyfriend upset about unfamiliar numbers on her cell phone.

The woman testified that **Marco Grant** , her boyfriend and the father of her 3-year-old son, became enraged after questioning numbers on her cell phone at her Warren townhouse the night of Sept. 23.

"You are going to have to pay," the woman testified **Grant** told her.

Over the next eight hours, she said **Grant** beat and threatened her; poured alcohol on her in attempt to set her afire; and urinated on her.

After the testimony, **Grant** was bound over from 37th District Court by visiting judge Sherman Faunce to stand trial on charges of torture and assault with intent to murder, among others.

"Clearly it was a case of torture ... (it was) one threatening move after another," Faunce said. "She clearly said she couldn't get away."

Grant is being held on a \$2 million bond in the Macomb County Jail pending his Dec. 17 arraignment in Macomb Circuit Court.

The woman testified that during the assault, **Grant** called other women and described how he was beating her.

At one point, she said her 3-year-old son woke up during the night. When he called for his "mommy" from the top of the stairs, the woman testified that **Grant** told him to "go back to bed because he was going to kill me."

As the sun came up on Sept. 24, **Grant** seemed to lose energy and started to heat up noodles in the microwave, she said. He eventually fell asleep in the living room where the assault occurred. Bruised and bloody, she fled the house with her son and later got medical help.

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