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ST. CLAIR SHORES — A 43-year-old **Detroit man** was **charged** today in 40th District Court **with** multiple felonies for allegedly calling on-duty **female** police officers and then speaking **to** them in an **obscene** manner, St. Clair Shores police say.

Eric Jerome Williams is **charged with** four counts of interfering **with** electronic communications, a two-year felony, and one county of malicious use of a telecommunications device, a six-month misdemeanor.

St. Clair Shores District Court Judge Craigen Oster set bond at \$100,000 cash or surety. However, Williams is being transported **to** the Macomb County Jail, said St. Clair Shores Det. Jason Brown.

Williams is accused of calling police departments across the state; he'd hang up if a male answered the phone, but would conduct "an **obscene phone call** " if a **female** answered, Brown said. Also, he is accused of trying up 911 telephone lines.

A **female** officer in the St. Clair Shores department spoke **to** Williams **to** obtain personal information. Officers were able **to** trace from where Williams was **making the call with** the help of the cell phone company, he said.

A **female** Michigan State Police trooper on Wednesday was unable **to** talk Williams into turn himself in; however, a **female** citizen convinced Williams **to** meet her in a public parking lot. Michigan State Police and St. Clair Shores officers were nearby and arrested him upon arrival, Brown said.

Williams has a dozen outstanding warrants that relate **to** the same crime, along **with** indecent exposure, Brown said. An estimated 20 other police departments called Brown today about Williams.

A preliminary exam for Williams is set for Sept. 26.

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