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A hearing in the case of one of the Capitol rioters accused of assault is about to begin.

Some background via @Matt_Naham: "'Mateo Q' Accused of Attacking National Guardsmen at Capitol. His Tweets Are Exactly What You Would Expect."

Live-tweet ahead.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Reona J. Daly asks the defendant's consent to participate in today's hearing remotely.

The defendant, Mathew Capsel, agrees.

Judge Daly asks whether Capsel is asking the court to appoint counsel for him.

"Yes, ma'am."

She reviews his financial affidavit, and she agrees to his public defender.

The prosecutor asks for detention, saying that he's a danger to the community and a flight risk.

They will proceed on that motion.

Prosecutor said that Capsel had a suicide attempt over marital issues.

"There's violence in this defendant's history, as a juvenile and as an adult."

He alleges that he has a history of trespass as well, before the Capitol insurrection.

Prosecutor:

Capsel has a record of domestic battery, and he tried to leave the state of Illinois, failing to appear to a proceeding for this incident.

"He was half a country away."

Prosecutor:

Capsel has a history of not following court orders.

Probation says there are conditions that can ensure his appearance at trial.

Capsel's attorney, Hill, urges the judge to follow that recommendation and release her client.

"Although he does have some criminal history," she says most of that is his juvenile record.

Defense attorney Hill cites Eric Munchel, the "zip tie guy" with tactical restraints, being released on bond despite allegations that he wanted to take Congress members hostage.

https://t.co/qqtMJ3bT8g

She does not note another judge block his release.

https://t.co/JCdiypSuJJ

The defense counsel also notes that another Capitol rioter was allowed to be released after being accused of stealing a laptop from Speaker Pelosi's office.

She calls her client's charges less serious, conceivably resulting in probation. https://t.co/wWRcq1cGa8

The judge is reciting her considerations before issuing a ruling.

ICYMI:

Mathew Capsel allegedly assaulted National Guardsmen at the Capitol insurrection and shared the evidence in a video he shared on TikTok.

Prosecutors say he has a history of violence and flight.

He was released on bond before trial this morning. https://t.co/veeOygP2rl