

Bedford Heights police officer charged with domestic violence in Stark County

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BEDFORD HEIGHTS, Ohio - A Bedford Heights police officer is facing a domestic violence charge in connection with an incident in Stark County.

Patrolman Douglas A. Dardzinski, 39, pleaded not guilty during his arraignment Friday in Canton Municipal Court, according to court records.

Details of the incident that resulted in the domestic violence charge were not immediately available.

Judge John A. Poulos granted a temporary protection order against Dardzinski, who remains in custody at the Stark County Jail on \$150,000 bond, records show. He is scheduled to appear in court Dec. 20 for a pretrial hearing.

Dardzinski, who joined the Bedford Heights Police Department in 2004, has been placed on unpaid administrative leave while the department performs an internal investigation, Chief Michael Marotta said.

Marotta said Dardzinski has been disciplined during his tenure in Bedford Heights but declined additional comment.