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Roger Edwards Pled Not Guilty for Failure to Register

Roger Edwards, age 57, of New Marshfield, Ohio, appeared before Judge George P. McCarthy on December 3, 2013, and entered a not guilty plea to an indictment charging him with one (1) count of Failure to Register, a first degree felony and one count of Failure to Provide Notice of Change of Address, also a first degree felony. Judge George P. McCarthy set bond at \$20,000. If Edwards post bond he is to remain in Ohio until his jury trial. A jury trial has been set for February 25, 2014.

Prosecutor Blackburn says, "In July of 1980, Roger Edwards was convicted of the crime of Rape and in 2005 he was placed under the requirment to register as a sexually oriented offender by court order. Since Roger Edwards is a registered sex offender, he is required by law to register his address and he is accused of failing to register and providing his change of address."

This case was investigated by the Athens County Sheriff's Office.