

# Judge dismisses assault charges against couple, but drug charge stays

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AMITY — Although the judge dismissed charges of assault and harassment filed against an Amity couple that had a domestic dispute after leaving Baby Dolls, a charge for possession was waived by the woman during her preliminary hearing Wednesday.

Crystal Coral Liedtke, 28, whose address is listed in court papers as 673 W. Benjamin Franklin Highway, was found in possession of a sandwich bag containing marijuana as well as drug paraphernalia when Amity Township Police made contact with her Feb. 12, according to court papers.

A criminal complaint filed in District Judge Victor Frederick IV's court that same day indicates police received a report of a domestic incident around 12:40 a.m. after a woman, later identified as Liedtke, called to report her boyfriend was being abusive.

While Liedtke was reporting the alleged abusive conduct, the line was disconnected.

Amity Township Police responded to the 600 block of W. Benjamin Franklin Highway to the residence Liedtke shared with her boyfriend, Richard F. Moonan, 30, and spoke with both of them about the incident.

Liedtke told police she and Moonan were at Baby Dolls, a bar and strip club on Benjamin Franklin Highway, and had drinks. According to court papers, Liedtke told police they were driving home when Moonan got upset because Liedtke was yelling at him for losing her debit card. During the verbal argument, Liedtke said, Moonan bit her finger and was "flailing his arms at her," giving her a bloody lip and nose.

Moonan told police Liedtke became upset with him for losing her debit card and she punched him in the face and scratched him with her fingernails, according to court papers.

Police said when Liedtke was arrested for domestic violence, they discovered the marijuana in her purse and drug paraphernalia was found in her jacket pocket, court papers indicate.

The charges of simple assault and harassment filed against both Liedtke and Moonan were dismissed during their preliminary hearings Wednesday; although, the drug charge against Liedtke was waived.