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1) A man has been charged with fraud. He had been running an elaborate scheme to scam old people out of their pensions. To this point he has been co-operating with police. He has a great deal of family in the area. His family members have said they will ensure he does not leave town. He has no history of violence, and all of his assets and former fraudulent businesses have been frozen or made inaccessible to him.

Bail or No bail?_____

Why?

2) A young woman is charged with assault. She severely beat another young woman after she thought she had been insulted. As she was being arrested the woman openly threatened the victim, the police, and their families. She has a criminal record, and a long history of violence. She has a great deal of family in the city, and has never missed any of her previous court dates.

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Why?

3) A beloved local sports star was brutally murdered. The man accused of the murder is already considered guilty by much of the public. At his bail hearing an angry mob protested outside the courthouse, some even yelled “bring back the death penalty”. He has no previous criminal record, and is considered a very low “flight risk”.

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Why?

4) A man is accused of killing someone who was affiliated with the Hell’s Angels biker gang. The Angels are notorious for avenging their fallen “brothers”. The man has no previous criminal history. He has mentioned that he has been intimidated by the gang in the past.

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Why?

5) A woman does not show up to her original court date. A bench warrant is issued. She is found two days later in a motel two towns over, with all of her belongings packed in her car.

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Why?

6) A man is charged with assault. After an argument in a bar the man got in a fight with one of the other patrons. The victim suffered a broken jaw, and some serious bruising. The accused is married and has three kids. He has no previous criminal history. He works as rock-climbing instructor, and teaches both adults and children.