Man charged with killing Wanda Musk in Genesee Township nearly 20 years ago arraigned

By **David Harris | dharris5@mlive.com** on September 24, 2012 at 3:30 PM

GENESEE TOWNSHIP, MI -- The man **accused of killing Wanda Musk** in 1993 appeared was arraigned on murder charges Monday.

Matthew L. Alder, who is already in prison for murder, was charged earlier this month with the death of Musk, a 19-year-old student at **Mott Community College**.

Musk was last seen alive at the Nov. 13, 1993 about 7 a.m. at a 1-Stop Food Store on Richfield Road where she worked. Witnesses said they saw a man put his arm around her outside the store before leaving. Her naked body was found in a field a few miles away about an hour later.



Alder appeared via video from the Kinross Correctional Facility in the Upper Peninsula.

He waived his right to his preliminary examination within two weeks. He also said he didn't want to be appear for any court hearing unless it goes to trial and he "cannot reach an agreeable plea" with prosecutors.

His court-appointed attorney, Philip Beauvais, said it was too early to determine if there will be a plea.

Alder was tied to the case when he was required to give his DNA under a new law. He is serving a life in prison sentence after being convicted of a 1994 murder in Macomb County. Prosecutors have said the cases are similar in that both were women and were brutally beaten.

Prosecutors also have said he is a suspect in two killings in North Carolina.