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Both Joseph Djoumessi and wife Evelyn Djoumessi are charged with conspiring to kidnap, kidnapping and child abuse. Joseph Djoumessi also faces two counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct and third-degree criminal sexual conduct, as the teen alleges he raped her five times.

The Djoumessis maintain they were only trying to help a girl who has now turned on them and lied to police.

Phone bill

The young woman was asked by Parker about long distance phone calls she made from the Djoumessi's basement, where the couple had her live. "I did run up the phone bill, yes," she said, as Oakland Circuit Judge Alice Gilbert looked on along with jury members and spectators.

Under questioning, the teen admitted that she did not tell the Djoumessis right away that she had run up the bill, though they were trying to determine how it happened.

Challenging the teen's contention that she was enslaved, Parker said, "You could call the police; you could call anyone you

wanted to."

Besides joining the family at restaurant dinners to celebrate holidays or birthdays, the young woman said under questioning, "We'd go out after church. Sometimes we'd go to a Chinese restaurant."

In testimony earlier in the week, the Cameron natter portrayed her basement living quarters as wet after a rain, as smelling bad, and that the downstairs shower only ran cold water.

"I was told not to use the bathroom upstairs. Once in a while when everyone was gone I would sneak up there and take a bath. There was no bathtub downstairs," she said.

Basement conditions

Parker challenged the teen's portrayal of the condition of the Djoumessi's basement.

"The basement wasn't something that was just for you, is that a fair statement?" the attorney asked.

"Not really," the teen answered.

Under questioning, she said

fingerprints. "You have amenities here you don't have in Cameroon?" Parker asked.

"Not really...It doesn't matter," the woman responded.

Earlier in the day, Assistant Prosecutor Cheryl Matthews showed the jury a photo of a bedroom in the Djoumessi's home, where the teen said she was raped, as a minor.

"Is that the bedroom?" Matthews asked.

"Yes it is," she responded.

Under earlier questioning, the teen said she got the idea to speak out about her treatment after watching a Montel Williams TV show, which focused on victims dealing with abuse.

Testimony was scheduled to continue Monday in Oakland Circuit Court.

Employee accused of embezzling

An alleged embezzlement of \$500,000 from a Farmington Hills company is under investigation by police.

A business owner, 69, told Farmington Hills Police Aug. 15 that he will seek to prosecute a female employee, 48, who he alleged has embezzled money from his Farmington Hills business since 1999.

According to the police incident report, another employee of the business spotted the accused employee writing a company check for \$30,000, to her own account. An investigation by an accountant turned up more evidence of the woman writing company checks to herself, the police report continued.

"There will be charges forthcoming," said Police Chief Bill Dwyer. "It's been assigned to the detectives for further investigation." Authorities say the employee admitted to embezzling money from her employer.

Dwyer said that following the investigation, felony charges will be sought with the Oakland County prosecutor's office.

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