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## Josh Hoch's case 'has had more starts then Phar Lap'

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JOSH HOCH: The commital hearing was scheduled for April 18. Photo: Supplied

The ongoing case of pilot Josh Hoch, 33, appeared before the Mount Isa Magistrates Court on Wednesday March 27 and was again adjourned for another month.

His case was adjourned until April 18 and if no notices are issued at this hearing, all parties are expected to front the Mount Isa Magistrates Court for committal.

Magistrate James Morton said the case had been stalling for too long.

"This case has had more starts then Phar Lap," he said

"It's been ongoing since I started in Mount Isa two years ago, now I'm about to leave."

Mr Hoch was <u>arrested by Mount Isa detectives</u> on January 24, 2017 and was <u>charged with 342 offences</u> - mostly fraud related.

Five of those charges are more serious allegations of deliberating tampering with airplanes.

Other charges include 64 charges of general dishonesty obtaining gain, 51 charges of dishonesty gain benefit, 95 charges not authorised to perform duty as well as forging documents with intent to defraud and failing to keep personal log book.

Nichole Ellen Limburg will also face court on April 18, with a fraud charge associated with Mr Hoch's case.

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