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WINTER HAVEN – Two Winter Haven Police Officers were dragged by a vehicle after a 26 year-old man recently released from prison assaulted a 17 year-old and carjacked her vehicle. The victim received minor injuries and both officers were uninjured.

On 9-14-14 at approximately 4 p.m., 26 year-old Kelly B. Washington, IV (DOB 5-28-88, 8640 Jamestown Dr., Winter Haven) called the 17 year-old victim to pick him up near McDonalds on Ave. D and Lake Howard Dr. The victim knew Washington as a friend through her sister. He asked to be taken to the Winter Haven Police Department because he needed to turn himself in. When the pair arrived at the Department, they found the lobby doors locked. Washington became enraged at the victim saying it was all her fault. He struck her in the face with his phone and started to strangle her.

The pair left the Police Department and traveled on First St. N towards Cypress Gardens Blvd. Washington again started striking the victim in the face, neck and shoulder and threatened to stab her. Washington told the victim to get out of the vehicle or he would stab her. The victim, fearing for her life, pulled into the parking lot of Publix (884 Cypress Gardens Blvd.) and got out of the vehicle. Washington jumped into the drivers' seat and left. The victim then called for help.

Officers located a vehicle matching the description of the victim's vehicle at the stop sign of 6<sup>th</sup> St., SE and Ave. Q, SE. Officers blocked the vehicle from leaving and asked the driver for identification. Once it was determined the driver was Washington, he was asked to get out of the vehicle. Washington refused and locked the car doors, though the windows were still rolled down. Washington then put his hand deep into his waistband as if he was retrieving something. Fearing Washington possibly had a weapon, the officer fired his department-issued Taser striking Washington in the upper body. Washington pulled the probes out and jumped into the passenger seat of the vehicle. Another officer unlocked the passenger door through the open window attempting to detain Washington.

Washington reached over and turned the ignition of the car and put the vehicle into drive. He stomped on the gas causing the car to lunge forward squealing the tires. The car traveled approximately 50 feet, dragging both

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officers as they were half inside the front compartment of the vehicle. The officer on the driver's side was able to get the car into park and take the keys out of the ignition. During this time, Washington struck the officer who was on the passenger side in the temple.

Washington continued to fight officers resulting in K-9 Onyx to be deployed. Washington ultimately put his hands up stating, "I give up" when Onyx was within 20 feet of him. Washington was placed in handcuffs and placed in a patrol car while the vehicle was searched. Officers found numerous small bags of marijuana, which appeared to be ready for sale. Also located in the passenger side of the vehicle were Hydrocortisone, Trazodone, Alprazolam and a plastic baggie containing methamphetamine.

Washington was taken to Winter Haven Hospital because officers feared he possibly ingested narcotics due to his extremely erratic behavior. Once he is medically cleared, he will be booked into the Polk County Jail on the following charges: Robbery/Carjacking (F1), Assault With Intent to Commit a Felony (F3), Child Abuse W/O Great Bodily Harm (F3), two counts of Aggravated Battery on LEO, Resisting Arrest W/Violence, Resisting Arrest WO/Violence, Possession of Cannabis With Intent To Sell, Possession of Hydrocodone W/O Prescription, Possession of Alprazolam (Xanax) WO Prescription, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Reckless Driving W/ Personal Injury.

Washington was released from the Florida State Prison after serving seven years for Armed Burglary and Conspiracy to Commit Burglary of Occupied Dwelling.



Booking Photo from Florida State Prison