



NEWS RELEASE

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SUBJECT: Purse Snatch Robbery, North College Avenue

On Friday October 21, 2011 at approximately 9:18 p.m. the Newark Police responded to a report of a strong arm robbery on North College Avenue near Ray Street. A 20 year old female University of Delaware student was walking on North College Avenue when the incident occurred. The victim told police that while she was walking and talking on her cell phone, an unknown male came from behind and pulled her purse from her wrist and fled on foot towards Ray Street. The victim was not injured during this incident. A Newark Police K9 responded to the scene but was unable to locate the suspect.

The suspect was described as a male of unknown race, wearing a black leather jacket, black pants and a black cap on his head.

Anyone with additional information about this incident should contact Detective Mike Szep at 302-366-7110 ext. 136 or Michael.Szep@cj.state.de.us. You can send an anonymous text message tip by texting 302NPD and your message to TIP411. Information can also be provided anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at www.tipsubmit.com where a reward may be available.

The Newark Police Department affirms that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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