



NEWS RELEASE

Paul M. Tiernan, Chief of Police

November 26, 2014

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

SUBJECT: Witness and Wilmington Police Officer Apprehend Purse Snatcher

On Wednesday, November 26, 2014 at approximately 11:00 a.m. the Newark Police responded to the area of East Main Street and Tyre Avenue for a report of a purse snatching. A 78 year old female was entering a doctor's office on East Main Street when the suspect came up from behind and grabbed the victim's purse. The victim was knocked over and dragged approximately 30 feet while the purse was still around her shoulder. A witness to the crime yelled at the female suspect, the suspect then let go of the victim and fled on foot. The witness then chased the suspect southbound on Tyre Avenue and into the George Reed Village neighborhood. During the foot chase the witness was pushed by the suspect. As the chase continued, the witness observed and waived down a uniformed police officer who was driving on East Delaware Avenue. The officer, from the Wilmington Police Department, apprehended the defendant. The victim received injuries to her hand but refused on scene medical treatment.

Defendant: Nasha L. Brooks
301 East 2nd Street Apt. G
Wilmington, DE 19801

Charges: Attempted Robbery 1st Degree, Crime Against a Person 62 Years or Older
Assault 2nd Degree, Injury to a Person Over 62 Years of Age
Offensive Touching
Criminal Mischief

The defendant was arraigned through Justice of the Peace Court #2 and is currently being held on \$26,000 secured bail.

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

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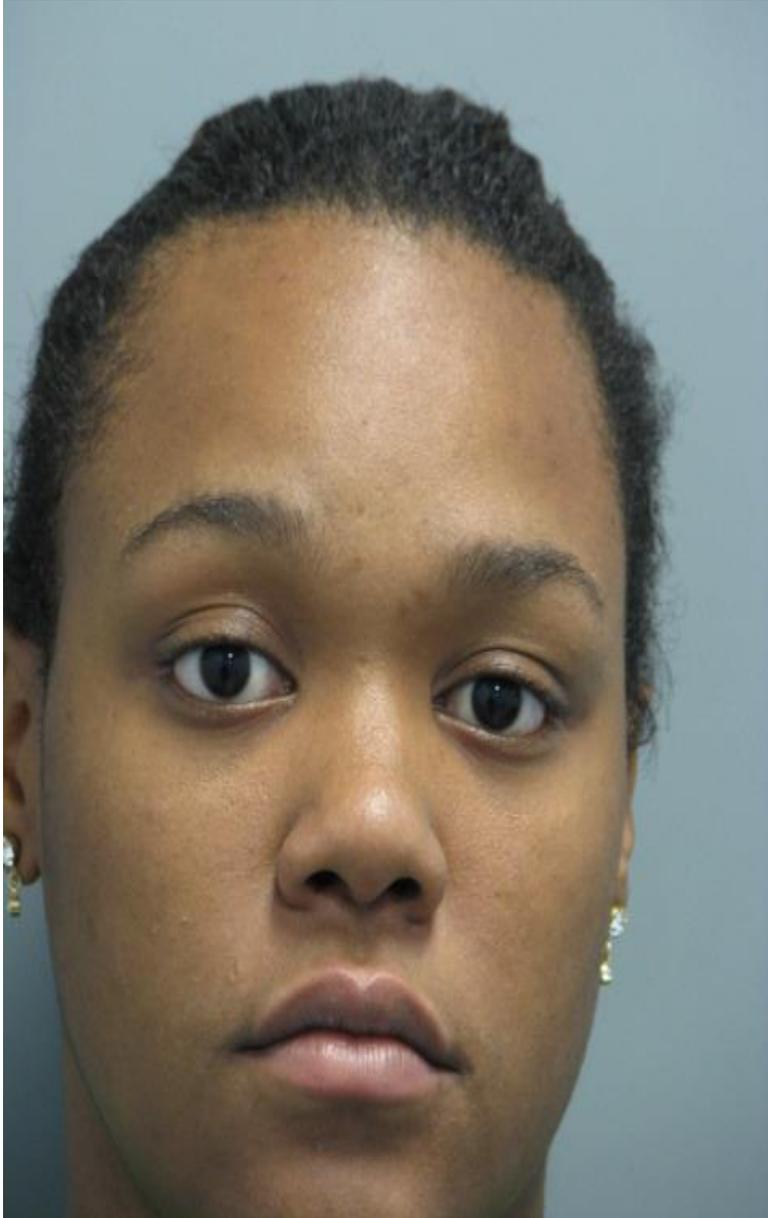
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