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Arrests Made in Robbery of Elderly Male

May 5, 2016 – The Newark Police began investigating a strong arm robbery of a 74 year old handicapped male which occurred on March 26, 2016 at approximately 9:30 p.m. The victim reported that he had just left the Sunoco gas station located at 287 South Main Street after making a purchase. While walking home, near West Park Place and Elkton Road, the victim was grabbed by his arm from behind and his wallet was taken. The suspects then fled the area. The victim was not injured during this incident.

Detectives responded to the Sunoco and obtained video surveillance. In the video, the two suspects can be seen watching the victim make the purchase and then followed him out of the store. With the assistance of the store video and Newark street cameras, other Newark police officers were able to identify the two suspects and a vehicle they had driven to the Sunoco. Arrest warrants were obtained on May 2, 2016 for Stephon Rivera and Isaac Chattin. On May 3, 2016 a search warrant was executed with the assistance of the Middletown Police Department at a residence located on the 600 block of Warren Drive, Middletown. At this location, Isaac Chattin was taken into custody and additional evidence was located. Stephon Rivera was apprehended during a traffic stop on May 4, 2016. Both were charged with the below listed charges and committed to Howard Young Correctional Institution in lieu of bail. Isaac Chattin received \$25,000 secured bond and Stephon Rivera was issued \$50,000 cash bond. Video surveillance of the incident is not being released.

Charges:

Robbery 1st Degree

Crime Against a Vulnerable Adult

Conspiracy 2nd Degree

Defendants:

Isaac Chattin, 18 years old

Warren Drive

Middletown, DE 19709

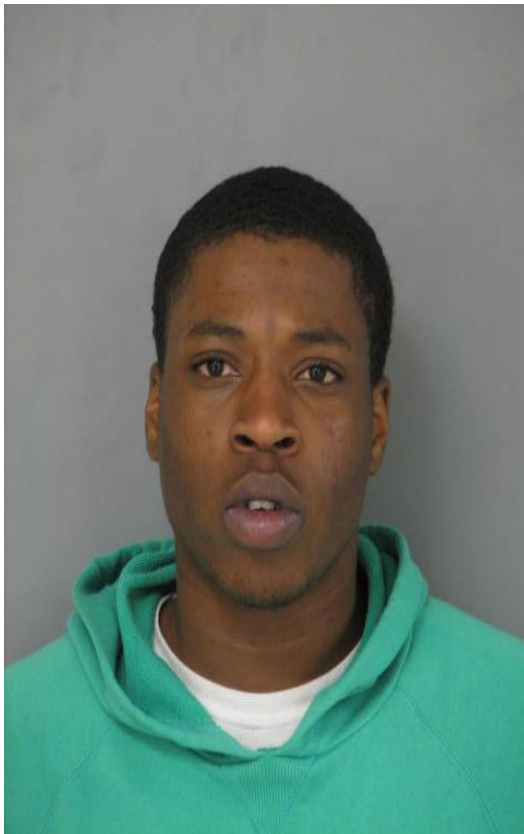
Stephon Rivera, 20 years old
Blue Ridge Circle
Newark, DE 19702

Anyone with additional information is asked to contact Det. Michael Watson at 302-366-7110 ext. 3132 or michael.watson@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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