

Press Release

LAKE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT



Chief of Police Gerald Butler

For Immediate Release

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PITCHFORK ASSAILANT ARRESTED

On Monday, March 20, 2023 at 8:25 A.M., officers with the Lake City Police Department, were dispatched to NW Palm Drive to the report of a person stabbed with a pitchfork.

Upon arrival, officers located a 49-year-old victim who was suffering from multiple stab wounds to the head and neck. Officers rendered aid until EMS arrived and transported the victim to a trauma unit.

The victim and witnesses on scene provided statements to investigators indicating Ryan Paul McCartney, suspect, had become upset and threw a pitchfork at the victim after a verbal altercation. McCartney then fled the area on foot in an unknown direction of travel.

On Thursday, March 23, 2023, with the combined efforts of the Columbia County Sheriff's Office, McCartney was arrested and transported to the Columbia County Detention Center without incident.

	MCCARTNEY, RYAN PAUL (W/ MALE / DOB: 11/24/1986)			
	Status:	In Jail		
	Booking No:	CCSO23JBN000819	MniNo:	CCSO77MNI003662
	Booking Date:	03/23/2023 11:31 PM		
	Age On Booking Date:	36		
	Bond Amount:	\$0.00		
	Address Given:	1305 SW MCFARLANE AVE LAKE CITY, FL 32025		

CHARGES				
STATUTE	COURT CASE NUMBER	CHARGE	DEGREE LEVEL	BOND
[+] 782.04.2	23-00259CF	(COLUMBIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE) HOMICIDE-WILLFULL KILLING	F	F \$200000.00



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