

# Press Release

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*Chief of Police Gerald Butler*

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## Arrest made for possession of a weapon by a convicted felon

On Sunday, April 9, 2023 at 8:50 P.M., officers with the Lake City Police Department conducted a traffic stop on a passenger vehicle whose driver had failed to stop at a stop sign on NW Georgia Avenue at the intersection of NW Long Street.

While speaking with the driver of the vehicle, the officer smelled a strong odor of fresh and burnt marijuana. A backup officer arrived and approached the vehicle on the passenger side; the backup officer observed a handgun between the passenger seat and the center console of the vehicle. All occupants of the vehicle were removed from the vehicle and away from the handgun. It was determined the driver of the vehicle, Deandre Jajuan Perkins, was a convicted felon and therefore not legally allowed to possess a firearm. A consensual search of the vehicle yielded three bags of a substance that tested positive for marijuana.

Perkins was arrested and transported to the Columbia County Detention Center without further incident.

**Name:** Perkins, Deandre Jajuan  
**DOB:** 01/09/1985  
**Sex:** Male  
**Race:** Black  
**Hair:** Black  
**Eyes:** Brown  
**Address:** 264 SW Fieldstone Ct. Lake City, FL 32055  
**Charges:** Possession of a Weapon by a Convicted Felon  
Possession of less than 20 grams of Marijuana



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