## **Press Release**





For Immediate Release Monday, October 30, 2023 Ashley Hardison, Public Information Officer Ph. 386.752.4343

## Firefighter's Uniform Stolen

On Monday, October 30, 2023, at 7:35 AM officers were dispatched to Lake City Fire Station #2, 383 NW Hall of Fame Dr, to the report of a vehicle burglary with the suspect still on the premises.

Upon arrival, officers spoke with a firefighter who reported their vehicle had been tampered with and items, including a black and gray gym bag containing miscellaneous clothing, were missing from inside.

The suspect, later identified as Stephen Bullard, was found near the fire station garage asleep on a black and gray gym bag and wearing a Lake City Fire Department uniform shirt embroidered with the victim's name.

The victim also reported damage to several items on the exterior of the Fire Station.

In addition, on Monday, October 30, 2023, at 10:00 AM officers were dispatched to The Skate Palace, a business next to Lake City Fire Station #2, in reference to criminal mischief. The owner and victim reported the sign on the exterior of the building was damaged. Upon reviewing video surveillance, Mr. Bullard is seen damaging the sign.

Mr. Bullard was transported to Columbia County Detention Facility for burglary of an unoccupied conveyance, petty theft, and criminal mischief.



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## Chief of Police Gerald Butler



-	BULLARD, ST	TEPHAN GERALD	(W/ MALE / DOB: 8/13/1975)	
- Cor	Status:	In Jail		
	Booking No:	CCSO23JBN002870	MniNo:	CCSO23MNI004438
	Booking Date:	10/30/2023 08:13 AM		
	Age On Booking Date: 48			
	Bond Amount:	\$0.00		
<u>Enlarge Photo</u>	Address Given:	HOMELESS LAKE CITY, FL		

Report information anonymously by calling the LCPD TIPS line at 386-719-2068 or Crime Stoppers of Columbia County at 386-754-7099.



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