Press Release







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One Arrested After Disturbance Involving Knife

On Monday, August 18, 2025, at approximately 4:03 A.M., officers from the Lake City Police Department responded to the area of West US Highway 90 and NW Bascom Norris Drive regarding a disturbance involving a weapon.

Upon arrival, officers located the suspect, identified as Michael Scott, who matched the description provided by the victim. Scott was detained without incident and was found to be in possession of a black knife with a green handle.

Officers then met with the victim, who reported that Scott had approached him outside Mattress Experts, asking repeatedly for methamphetamine. When the victim refused, the confrontation escalated, and Scott allegedly brandished a knife and chased the victim around the parking lot. The knife was later confirmed to match the victim's description.

Scott was transported to the Columbia County Detention Center without further incident.

Anyone with information on this or any other crimes is urged to contact the Lake City Police Department at (386) 752-4343. You may also report information anonymously by calling the LCPD TIPS line at (386) 719-2068 or Crime Stoppers of Columbia County at (386) 754-7099.

Name: SCOTT, MICHAEL DEWAYNE

DOB: 06/27/1971 Sex/Race: Male/White Hair/Eyes: Blonde/Brown

Address: Homeless

Charge(s): Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon



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