
OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE AWARD

DEPUTIES:

SGT. JASON FULGHUM (OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE)

Daryl Culberson (Certificate of Commendation)

Melinda Taylor (Certificate of Commendation)

On the morning of October 28, 2010, an armed robbery occurred at the Union State Bank on Airport Road in Destin. The male suspect who was armed with a handgun fled the scene with several thousand dollars in cash and a BOLO was broadcast to all units.

Deputy Melinda Taylor received a wallet which had been recovered by a citizen and contained identification matching the description of the armed robbery suspect. This was provided to Sgt. Fulghum who continued to investigate the information. While conducting neighborhood searches of the area where the wallet was found, Sgt. Fulghum located the suspect's vehicle in the Mossy Cove Townhome complex. Critical evidence (glove) was discovered near the crime scene by Deputy Daryl Culberson and matched evidence located within the suspect's vehicle. Also recovered were cash and a .45 Colt pistol used by the suspect who was subsequently arrested and charged with armed robbery.

Through the vigilant actions of Deputies Taylor and Culberson and the thorough investigation by Sgt. Fulghum in developing leads to locate the suspect, their actions lead to the successful arrest of a dangerous armed criminal in the community. Their actions reflect highly on their profession and dedication to duty as deputies of the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office.