

# Sheriff



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July 25, 2013

## **TWO WOMEN ARRESTED AFTER TARGETING THE WALLETS OF WALMART SHOPPERS**



Lacey Jean Hernandez

Keri Michelle Augustine

The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office has charged two women with multiple charges after investigating reports of six victims having purses or wallets taken from their shopping carts at the Destin Walmart Wednesday.

29-year old Keri Michelle Augustine and 27-year old Lacey Jean Hernandez, both of Defuniak Springs, were arrested yesterday.

Investigators say after removing the items they wanted, which included jewelry, cash, and credit cards, the women discarded the purses or wallets inside the store.

Hernandez is accused of using three credit cards from one victim to buy three Walmart gift cards.

While interviewing Augustine, investigators say a gift card purchased with a stolen credit card was observed sticking out of her shirt.

Both are charged with theft of credit cards, fraudulent use of credit cards, and grand theft.

(Arrest reports are attached.)

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ARREST REPORT

OKALOOSA CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE

REPORT NO: OCSO13ARR007799

Jail Booking No	Offense No OCSO13OFF008089	Other No OCSO13CAD119610	OBTS 46101093320
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[ SUSPECT ]

Last First Middle Title Race Sex DOB Age Hgt Wgt  
 AUGUSTINE KERI MICHELLE W F 9/8/1983 29 5'11" 430  
 Eyes Hair MNI Number SSN ID No. St Type OCA/Agency ID  
 HAZ BRO OCSO13MNI009722 [REDACTED] FL E 196118

Birth Location: City: County: State: TX Nation: UNITED STATES Citizenship: UNITED STATES  
 Address

591 UNDERWOOD BLVD DEFUNIAK SPRINGS FL 32435

Occupations (Current/Last Known is Listed First)

Business: UNEMPLOYED, Job Title: DISABLED, Entered: 7/24/2013

Aliases (Last, First Middle Title DOB)

\* none found in MNI \*

Street Names

\* none found in MNI \*

[ INCIDENT INFORMATION ]

Occurred Date Range: 7/24/2013 14:14 to 7/24/2013 16:00 Lat / Long 30.38944 / -86.44889  
 No. Di Street Apt/Lot City ST Zip (GEO)  
 15017 EMERALD COAST PW DESTIN FL 32541 3 - 26 - PG53 - U-42

[ CHARGES ]

812.014.2c

LARC

LARC OVER 300 DOLLARS UNDER 20000 DOLLARS

Counts	Level	Degree	GOC	UCR	NCIC	AON	Bond Amount
1	Felony	Third	Not Applicable	230G		2399	

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6	Misdemeanor	First	Not Applicable	230B		2399	

817.60.1

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FRAUD-ILLEG USE CREDIT CARDS

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Counts	Level	Degree	GOC	UCR	NCIC	AON	Bond Amount
3	Felony	Third	Not Applicable	9000		2605	

[ STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE / NARRATIVE ]

On 07-24-13, Okaloosa County Deputies responded to Walmart, located at 15017 Emerald Coast Parkway, Destin, Florida, in reference to multiple calls of stolen purses and wallets. Upon arrival, Deputies discovered that six victims had come forward to the Walmart Service Desk to report that their purses and or wallets were taken from their shopping carts without their knowledge.

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REPORT NO: OCSO13ARR007799

Investigation revealed that defendant Keri Michelle Augustine, and her co-defendant, Lacey Jean Hernandez, had stolen the victims purse's and or wallets from their shopping carts. After removing the items they wanted, which included jewelry, cash, credit cards, and other personal items, the purses and or wallets were discarded in the store. In addition, defendant Augustine used the credit card belonging to a victim to purchase a Walmart gift card in the amount of \$300. Post Miranda, Augustine admitted that after Hernandez stole one of the wallets and placed it in a shoe box, Augustine retrieved the wallet and used the credit card to make the gift card purchase. She also admitted that she knew that Augustine was stealing wallets and purses for the purpose of obtaining the victims money and credit cards, and then purchasing gift cards with the stolen credit cards.

Based upon the above information and the fact that six victims reported their purses and or wallets stolen (not all of which were recovered), I have reason to believe and do believe that defendant Hernandez violated F.S.S. 812.014(2)(e), Principle in the first degree to Petit Theft (6 cts). Based upon the fact that all the victims had credit cards located within their purses and or wallets, I have reason to believe and do believe the defendant violated F.S.S. 817.30(1), principle in the first degree to Theft of Credit Card (6 cts). Since the defendant actually used the credit cards of a victim without her permission, I have reason to believe and do believe the defendant violated F.S.S. 817.61, Fraudulent Use of Credit Card (1 cts), and principle in the first degree to Fraudulent Use of Credit Card (3 cts). Lastly, since the defendant obtained a Walmart Gift Card worth a total of \$300 through the use of a victim's credit card, I have reason to believe and do believe the defendant violated F.S.S. 812.014(2)(c), Grand Theft (1 ct.). These offenses did occur in Okaloosa County, Florida, where your affiant is a sworn law enforcement officer.

I hereby swear (or affirm) that the facts established on this affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature (Arresting Officer) UPTMOR, PATRICK J 086 ID/SSN

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this 25 day of July A.D., 2013 by who is personally known to me or has produced as identification.

Signature Notary Public LEO CO

Commission No: My Commission Expires

[ PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ] [NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE LISTED]

[ ARREST INFORMATION ]

Arrested 7/24/2013 18:20 Residency Within jurisdiction Injured None Extent of Injury N/A Resist No
Arrested Prior Unknown Arrest Jurisdiction Within jurisdiction Alcohol No Drugs No
No. 15017 Di Street EMERALD COAST PW A/L City DESTIN ST FL Zip 32541 Lat / Long 30.38944 / -86.44889
Arresting Officer 086 UPTMOR, PATRICK J Unit OCSO/FSV/INV/CID (GEO) 3 - 26 - PG53 - U-42 Officer Type
Reporting Officer 086 UPTMOR, PATRICK J Unit OCSO/FSV/INV/CID Original Offense Jurisdiction OCSO
Forward to for approval OCSO/FSV/INV/CID

Bond Set by LEO at Time of Arrest & Booking: \$0.00

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- None
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- Cash
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Bond Set by Judge \_\_\_\_\_  None  ROR/Sign  
 Cash  PTR  
 Any  
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Return Court: CIRCUIT COURT: FELONY Date: 8/27/2013 Time: 15:30  
 Instructions: OKALOOSA COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX

[ DISPOSITION ]

<u>Disposition Type</u>	<u>Release Type</u>	<u>Other Desc</u>
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[ ADDITIONAL PERSONS ]

WITNESS STATEMENT

Last	First	Middle	Title	R	S	DOB
AUGUSTINE	KERI	MICHELLE		W	F	09/08/1983

I hereby swear (or affirm) that the facts established on this affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ID / SSN AUGUSTINE , KERI MICHELLE

COURT DISPOSITION:

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- No Bill / Petition
- Issue Warrant
- Prosecution Approved

Signature of Assistant State Attorney Date

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Last First Middle Title Race Sex DOB Age Hgt Wgt  
 HERNANDEZ LACEY JEAN W F 3/6/1986 27 5'09" 135  
 Eyes Hair MNI Number SSN ID.No. St Type OCA/Agency ID  
 GRN BLN OCSO13MNI009721 [REDACTED] FL E 196117

Birth Location: City: County: State: MI Nation: UNITED STATES Citizenship: UNITED STATES  
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**ARREST REPORT**  
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**OKALOOSA CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

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Based upon the above information and the fact that six victims reported their purses and or wallets stolen (not all of which were recovered), I have reason to believe and do believe that defendant Hernandez violated F.S.S. 812.014(2)(e), Petit Theft (6 cts). Based upon the fact that all the victims had credit cards located within their purses and or wallets, I have reason to believe and do believe the defendant violated F.S.S. 817.30(1), Theft of Credit Card (6 cts). Since the defendant actually used the credit cards of 1 victim without her permission, I have reason to believe and do believe the defendant violated F.S.S. 817.61, Fraudulent Use of Credit Card (3 cts). Lastly, since the defendant obtained three Walmart Gift Cards worth a total of \$1,100 through the use of the credit card, I have reason to believe and do believe the defendant violated F.S.S. 812.014(2)(c), Grand Theft. These offenses did occur in Okaloosa County, Florida, where your affiant is a sworn law enforcement officer.

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Name ID/SSN

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who is personally known to me or has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Notary Public \_\_\_\_\_ LEO \_\_\_\_\_ CO

Commission No: \_\_\_\_\_ My Commission Expires \_\_\_\_\_

[ PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ] [NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE LISTED]

[ ARREST INFORMATION ]

Arrested	Residency	Injured	Extent of Injury	Resist
7/24/2013	18:20 Within state	None	N/A	No
		Arrested Prior	Arrest Jurisdiction	Alcohol
		Unknown	Within jurisdiction	No
No.	Di	Street	A/L	City
15017		EMERALD COAST PW		DESTIN
Arresting Officer		Unit	(GEO)	ST Zip Lat / Long
086 UPTMOR, PATRICK J		OCSO/FSV/INV/CID	3 - 26 - PG53 - U-42	FL 32541 30.38944 / -86.44889
Reporting Officer		Unit		Original Offense Jurisdiction
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HERNANDEZ	LACEY	JEAN		W	F	03/06/1986

I hereby swear (or affirm) that the facts established on this affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ID / SSN HERNANDEZ , LACEY JEAN

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Signature of Assistant State Attorney Date

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