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CORRECTED VERSION: CRESTVIEW MAN CHARGED WITH ARMED BURGLARY IN SHOOTING INCIDENT



A Crestview man is charged with armed burglary and battery following a shooting incident at a home on River Loop Drive Wednesday evening.

37-year old Dennis Ray Gibson of 506 Tall Pine Street was located and taken into custody after barging into his ex-girlfriend's house and attacking another man.

Investigators say Gibson had arrived at the home to pick up a .22 caliber pistol he had left there at an earlier date. However he pushed

past the homeowner and went inside, locating 35-year old Whitney Henderson of Baker in the master bedroom. He punched Henderson while still holding the firearm. The gun fell to the ground and during an ensuing struggle; both men were reaching for and able to get their hands on the weapon. The gun discharged and Henderson was hit in the chest. He was taken for treatment to Sacred Heart Hospital in Pensacola where he was last listed in critical condition.

Later during an interview with investigators, Gibson said he had no intention of firing the weapon. He also began complaining of pain in his left shoulder. A check revealed Gibson had also been struck when the gun discharged. He was taken to North Okaloosa Medical Center where doctors removed the bullet from his arm.

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ARREST REPORT

OKALOOSA CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Birth Location: City: FORT WALTON BEA County: OKALOOSA State: FLORIDA Nation: U.S.A. Citizenship: U.S. Address 506 TALLPINE STREET CRESTVIEW FL32539 Occupations (Current/Last Known is Listed First) Business: SCOTTS CONSTRUCTION, Job Title: MASONRY, Entered: 7/8/2011 Business: , Job Title: UNEMPLOYED, Entered: 8/13/2006 Suite: Business: DENIS R GIBSON MASONRY, Job Title: , Entered: 12/19/2005 Suite: Business: LYON'S CONST, Job Title: , Entered: 12/10/2002 Suite: Business: KD ELECTRIC, Job Title: , Entered: 12/4/2002 Suite: Aliases (Last, First Middle Title DOB) GIBSON, CHRISTOPHER RAYMOND 7/2/1977 Street Names * none found in MNI *									
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On 01-28-15 at approximately 1732 hours, Okaloosa County Sheriff Deputies responded to the residence of Jennifer Dempsey, located at 6226 River Loop Drive, Crestview, Florida, in reference to a shooting.

Witness Jennifer Dempsey stated that at approximately 1700 hours, the defendant, Dennis Gibson (her ex-boyfriend), came to her residence to retrieve his .22 caliber pistol. When Dempsey opened the door and handed Gibson his gun, Gibson pushed past Dempsey, entering the house without being invited. Gibson demanded to know who was in the house with Dempsey. Dempsey told Gibson not to worry about it, as it was her house. She further advised investigators that she told Gibson to stop, and not to be coming into her house that way. Gibson disregarded her

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instruction and continued to the master bathroom where he located the victim, Whitney Henderson, who had previously been instructed by Dempsey to wait there until Gibson left. Gibson immediately began striking the victim, at which point the victim attempted to defend himself.

The disturbance continued as the two moved into the master bedroom, at which time Gibson's gun fell to the floor. As the two struggled, the gun discharged, striking Henderson on the left side of his chest with the projectile exiting through his back left shoulder area.

Based upon the fact that the defendant, Dennis R. Gibson physically struck victim Whitney Henderson with his fist, without provocation, I have reason to believe and do believe the defendant violated F.S.S. 784.03(1)(a)(1). Based upon the fact that Gibson did not have permission to enter Dempsey's residence, and entered while carrying a .22 caliber pistol after being told to stop by Jennifer Dempsey, with the intent to locate and batter the victim, I have reason to believe and do believe the defendant violated F.S.S. 810.02(2)(b). These offenses did occur in Okaloosa County where your affiant is a sworn law enforcement officer.

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