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PENSACOLA MAN FACES AGGRAVATED STALKING CHARGE AFTER THREATENING WITNESS



A Pensacola man with a pending trial in Santa Rosa County for aggravated battery is now accused of threatening the victim in an attempt to stop her from testifying.

The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office is charging 50-year old Thomas Jeffrey Tiffin of Pensacola with felony battery, aggravated stalking, and obstructing justice. The victim, Chantell Prescott, says she was at her job at a Destin restaurant when Tiffin showed up around 5 p.m. May 31st and began creating a scene when she initially refused to talk to him. Prescott says Tiffin told her not to talk to "the state" anymore and that if she received a subpoena for his upcoming trial in Santa Rosa County, she would not testify. Tiffin told her he knew he was going to have to go back to prison for a long time and he would kill her to keep that from happening. Prescott said Tiffin also poked her in the face with his finger and thumped her cigarette out of her hand.

Prescott told deputies due to the violent nature of their past, she felt the threats were credible. The pending trial in Santa Rosa County is related to a domestic altercation February 24th. Tiffin is accused of striking Prescott in the head with a firearm during that incident.

Tiffin meanwhile is currently being held in the Santa Rosa County jail after being arrested there last night on unrelated charges.

OCSO Investigators say Tiffin has a violent past and has been incarcerated in the state prison system multiple times for battery convictions.

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IN THE CIRCUIT/COUNTY COURT IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA

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WARRANT/OTIC ACTIVE

OKALOOSA CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE

REPORT NO: OCSO15ARR005181

Jail Booking No	Offense No OCSO15OFF006662	Other No OCSO15CAD097962	OBTS
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[SUSPECT]

Last First Middle Title Race Sex DOB Age Hgt Wgt
 TIFFIN THOMAS JEFFREY W M 5/21/1965 50 6'03" 200
Eyes Hair MNI Number SSN ID No St Type OCA/Agency ID
 HAZ BRO OCSO99MNI503069 [REDACTED] AL ID 135984

Birth Location: City: County: State: ALABAMA Nation: US Citizenship: US
 Address

1000 SCENIC HIGHWAY PENSACOLA FL 32503

Occupations (Current/Last Known is Listed First)

Business: , Job Title: SELF EMPLOYED, Phone: 20545170256 Entered: 9/26/2007
 Suite:

Aliases (Last, First Middle Title DOB)

THOMAS, JEFFERY TIFFIN 5/21/1965

Street Names

* none found in MNI *

[INCIDENT INFORMATION]

Occurred Date Range: 5/31/2015 17:00 to 5/31/2015 17:30 Lat / Long 30.39605 / -86.51204
 No. Di Street Apt/Lot City ST Zip (GEO)
 33 HARBOR BD DESTIN FL 32541 3 - 25 - -

[CHARGES]

784.03.2

BATTERY

2ND OR SUBSQ OFF

Counts	Level	Degree	GOC	UCR	NCIC	AON	Bond Amount
1	Felony	Third	Principal	130B		1319	

784.048.3

AGGRAV STALKING

FOLLOW HARASS CYBERSTALK CRED THREAT TO PERSON

Counts	Level	Degree	GOC	UCR	NCIC	AON	Bond Amount
1	Felony	Third	Principal	130C		1320	

914.22.2c

OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE

TAMPERING IN FELONY 2ND DEGREE PROCEEDING

Counts	Level	Degree	GOC	UCR	NCIC	AON	Bond Amount
1	Felony	First	Principal	130B		5006	

[STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE / NARRATIVE]

The victim, Chantell Prescott and the defendant, Thomas Jeffrey Tiffin have had a previous relationship where they were dating, but never resided together as a family. On February 24, 2015, Mr. Tiffin broke into Ms. Prescott's home in Santa Rosa County where he struck her in the head with a firearm and caused a severe laceration to her scalp. Mr. Tiffin was subsequently arrested for Aggravated Battery and multiple other felony charges stemming from that incident. Mr. Tiffin is currently on pre-trial release, on an ankle monitor, and his trial date is pending for those charges. Mr. Prescott is a potential witness at that trial and had been the petitioner on an injunction for protection against dating violence where Mr. Tiffin was the respondent. That injunction has subsequently expired.

On May 31, 2015, at or about 5:00 pm, the victim, Chantell Prescott was at her place of employment, Vinny McGuire's, 33 Harbor Blvd, Destin, Florida. When Ms. Prescott arrived, Mr. Tiffin approached her at the bar (even

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[PHYSICAL EVIDENCE] [NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE LISTED]

[ARREST INFORMATION]

Arrested	Residency	Injured	Extent of Injury		Resist
	Unknown				
		Arrested Prior	Arrest Jurisdiction	Alcohol	Drugs
No.	Di Street	A/L	City	ST Zip	Lat / Long
Arresting Officer		Unit	(GEO) - - -		Officer Type
Reporting Officer		Unit			Original Offense Jurisdiction
250 CHAPMAN, AARON C		OCSO/FSV/EAST/BD/D-SHIFT/DES			OCSO
Forward to for approval					
OCSO/FSV/EAST/BD/D-SHIFT					

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

- None
- ROR
- Cash
- Pro

Bond Set by Judge	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None	<input type="checkbox"/> ROR/Sign
	<input type="checkbox"/> Cash	<input type="checkbox"/> PTR
	<input type="checkbox"/> Any	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Pro	
	<input type="checkbox"/> PtIQ	

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Return Court: CIRCUIT COURT: FELONY Date: _____ Time: _____

Instructions: _____

[COURT INFORMATION]

Court	Judge	Date
Sent		
Rcvd CIRCUIT	BROWN	6/1/2015
Court Case Number 15-6662		

Assigned To:

[DISPOSITION]

<u>Disposition Type</u>	<u>Release Type</u>	<u>Other Desc</u>
<u>Release Date</u>	<u>Release Time</u>	<u>Release Officer</u>
		<u>Printed</u> <u>Printed By</u>
<u>Released To</u>		No

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Court DispositionType

Court Disposition Description

[ADDITIONAL PERSONS]

COURT DISPOSITION: _____

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- No Bill / Petition
- Issue Warrant
- Prosecution Approved

Signature of Assistant State Attorney

Date

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