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ARRESTED: Lee K. Capers
336 Heckman Street
Phillipsburg, New Jersey 08865
DOB: September 12, 1985

On Thursday, January 14, 2016, at 7:02 a.m., officers from the Phillipsburg Police Department responded to a 911 call reporting a stabbing at 336 Heckman Street. The victim of the assault, who has been identified as a resident of the above address, was flown via medical helicopter to St. Luke's Hospital in Fountain Hill, Pennsylvania. Information regarding the victim's condition has not been provided.

Preliminary investigation revealed that the alleged assailant, Lee K. Capers, age 30, stabbed the victim multiple times and then fled in the victim's vehicle prior to the police arriving on scene. At approximately 7:19 a.m., law enforcement located the victim's vehicle on Fisher Avenue. At approximately 8:31 a.m., Lee Capers was located in the vicinity of Rt. 22E and St. James Avenue in Pohatcong Township where he was taken into custody without incident.


The initial investigation was conducted by the Phillipsburg Police Department and the Warren County Prosecutor's Office with assistance from the Washington Township Police Department K-9 unit, the Lopatcong Township Police Department, and the Pohatcong Township Police Department.

The continuing investigation of the incident is being conducted by the Warren County Prosecutor's Office, the Phillipsburg Police Department, and the Warren County Regional Crime Scene Unit.

Lee K. Capers has been charged with Second Degree Aggravated Assault; Possession of a Weapon for an Unlawful Purpose in the Third Degree; Unlawful Possession of a Weapon in the Fourth Degree; and Fourth Degree Certain Persons Not to Possess Weapons. The most serious offense, Aggravated Assault in the Second Degree, carries a maximum penalty of ten (10) years in New Jersey State Prison.

Please be advised that the charges are merely accusations and the defendant is presumed innocent of all charges unless and until proven guilty.

Approved by:



RICHARD T. BURKE
WARREN COUNTY PROSECUTOR

Dated: January 15, 2016