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Man jailed following armed robbery turned shooting



Suspect Roylin Grant

Shreveport Police Violent Crimes Investigators have a man in custody accused of robbing and shooting a woman in west Shreveport earlier this month.

On January 10, 2018 just before noon, Shreveport police patrol officers were dispatched to the 700 block of West 63rd Street on reports of a shooting. Officers arrived and located the victim, 36-year-old Melissa Dickerson suffering from two gunshot wounds to her lower extremities. Dickerson was transported to University Health Hospital with what was described as non-life threatening injuries.

Detectives with the Violent Crimes Bureau responded to the scene and launched their investigation. Investigators spoke with witnesses and collected evidence from the scene. Through their investigation they learned that Dickerson purchased narcotics from the suspect, Roylin Grant, 43, of the 400 block of Hyde Park. Grant left the residence after the narcotics exchange but allegedly returned minutes later and forcibly entered the front door of Dickerson's residence and attempted to rob her. Dickerson fought back and Grant allegedly shot her twice, took her purse that contained an undisclosed amount of money, and fled the scene.

On February 1, 2018, Grant was taken into custody without incident at his residence and charged with one count each of Armed Robbery, Aggravated Battery, Convicted Felon in Possession of a Firearm, and Probation violations. He was booked into the Shreveport City Jail.

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