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Patrol officers find convicted felon with a firearm



Joshua Wade

On February 24th, 2023, Shreveport Police Patrol Officers were proactively patrolling the Highland area when they heard multiple shots fired. Officers responded in the direction of the shots fired and attempted to stop an individual walking in the area. The individual refused officers' instructions and fled on foot.

Officers gave chase to the suspect and took Joshua Wade (5/25/2003) into custody. Wade was found to be in possession of a 9mm handgun. Further investigation into the matter revealed that Wade was prohibited from possessing a firearm due to being convicted of a violent felony.

The firearm was seized by the officer and Wade was arrested for one count of being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm, one count of illegal use of a weapon, and resisting.

We are required to advise that all suspects are innocent until proven guilty.