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**Convicted felon with a firearm arrested**



**Lonnie Garner**

On March 3rd, 2023, around 3:30 p.m. Shreveport Police Violent Crimes Abatement Team conducted a traffic stop at North Market Street and Nelson Street while conducting an operation in the area to combat illegal gun trafficking.

During the traffic stop by members of the Shreveport Police V-CAT team, Lonnie Garner (11/9/83) was found to be in possession of narcotics and a handgun. Further investigation determined that Garner was prohibited from owning a firearm due to having numerous convictions for firearm and felony narcotics offenses.

The firearm was seized by the officers and Garner was arrested for one count of being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm and one count of possession of schedule II.

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