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Armed felon arrested after fleeing from police



Shamanqel Rainey

On May 28th, 2023, around 7:33 p.m. officers attempted to conduct a traffic stop on a white Chevy Impala at Bethune Drive and Hollywood Avenue. The vehicle refused to stop, and a pursuit ensued. The driver of the vehicle was observed throwing a firearm from the window as officers gave chase.

The vehicle eventually stopped, and the driver was taken into custody in the following moments. The driver was identified as Shamanqel Rainey (4-16-93). Officers were able to recover the firearm that Rainey reported discarded while fleeing. Further search also found that Rainey reportedly possessed a schedule one narcotic and was prohibited from possessing a firearm due to prior felony convictions.

Rainey was arrested and charged with Aggravated Flight from an Officer, one count of possession of a schedule one CDS, one count of illegal use of a weapon, one count of aggravated obstruction of a highway, one count of obstruction of justice, and one count of being a felon in possession of a firearm.

No injuries were reported. We are required to remind you that suspects are innocent until proven guilty.