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**Shreveport Police Officers Arrest Suspect with Stolen Firearm**



**Semaj Mitchell**

At approximately 3:00 AM on October 7, 2024, Shreveport Police Department (SPD) officers initiated a traffic stop at the intersection of Kennedy Street and West 70th for speeding and illegal window tint. Upon initiating the stop, the driver of the vehicle accelerated at a high rate of speed, continuing southbound on Kennedy Drive. Officers pursued the suspect, who eventually pulled over in the 4100 block of West 70th Street.

The driver, identified as Semaj Mitchell (04/13/2006), was found to be in possession of a stolen firearm. He was arrested and charged with illegal possession of a stolen firearm, aggravated flight from an officer, and multiple traffic violations.

This incident is another example of the dedication and professionalism of SPD patrol officers, who worked swiftly to apprehend the suspect and ensure the safety of our community.