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## PRESS RELEASE

On 1/19/2017, reference case number 2017000464, the Guilford Police investigated a reported use of stolen credit cards in the Guilford Walmart. Three (3) males, later identified as DEVIN LEE RHAMES, MAURICE PRINGLE and TYSHAUN LANDELLS, all of Brooklyn NY entered Walmart around 5:50PM. The males used stolen and manufactured credit cards to make purchases of gift cards before fleeing the area in their vehicle. Once Guilford Officers were notified of the incident they began searching the area for the subjects. The suspect vehicle was located at a gas station at the intersection of Goose La and the Boston Post Rd. At this time, Landells was taken into custody without incident while the other two (2) suspects fled in their vehicle. The vehicle was located a short time later at the end of Shoreline Drive, unoccupied. Guilford Police Officer Bartlett and her K9 partner Kobe began a track from the abandoned vehicle in an effort to locate the remaining two (2) suspects. K9 Kobe led officers into a thick marsh where the two remaining suspects, Pringle an Rhames were located and apprehended without further incident. Located in the area of the apprehension, Officers recovered several pieces of evidence to include stolen and manufactured credit cards that the suspects attempted to discard into the East River. Once the men were secured, several more pieces of evidence were recovered from their vehicle to include a significant amount of stolen and manufactured credit cards, gift cards, a laptop computer connected to a credit card "skimming" device and several other electronics and media storage devices typically used in these crimes.

It was determined that the same suspects committed similar crimes in multiple jurisdictions along the I95-corridor. The Guilford Police will be working with multiple agencies to determine what other town were victimized.

All three suspects were arrested and held on a \$25,000.00 bond. They were transported to court for arraignment on 1/20/17. The men were charged as follows:

53a-128g: Receiving goods from illegal use of a credit card. (Pringle, Rhames and Landells)

53-388a: Unlawful use or Possession of a scanning device. (Pringle, Rhames and Landells)

53a-125b: Larceny in the 6th degree. (Pringle, Rhames and Landells)

53a-129d: Identify theft in the 3rd Degree. (Pringle, Rhames and Landells)

53a-167a: Interfering with an officer. (Pringle, Rhames)

53a-129e: Trafficking in personal identifying information. (Pringle, Rhames and Landells)

53a-130: Criminal Impersonation. (Pringle, Rhames and Landells)

14-223: Disobeying the signal of an officer (Rhames)

53-128F: Unlawful reproduction of a credit card. (Pringle, Rhames and Landells)

53a-48: Criminal attempt. (Pringle, Rhames and Landells)