
NEWS RELEASE



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ATTEMPTED MURDER SUSPECT ARRESTED

September 28, 2009 – At approximately 5:00am Sunday morning, September 27, 2009, officers from the Jupiter Police Department were called to a residence in the 200 block of 8th Street to investigate allegations of a battery incident. Upon their arrival, it was discovered Juan Mendez Jurtado had sustained a large laceration to the neck. The victim's life threatening injury was so severe that no information could be obtained as to how this occurred or who was responsible.

Follow-up investigation by Jupiter Police Detectives determined the victim had been confronted by Antonio Clark (W/M 03/09/1969), a known acquaintance of the victim, at the victim's residence. Clark attempted to gain the victim's wallet by force and during the struggle the victim was cut across the throat by Clark with an unknown sharp object.

Detectives received information from citizens within the community and were able to develop sufficient information concerning the identity of the suspect. When the victim was able to be interviewed, he positively identified Antonio Clark as the suspect responsible for this incident. On Monday, September 28, 2009 at approximately 2:00pm, Detectives were able to locate Clark at his residence on 8th Street where he was arrested. Clark will be charged with Attempted Murder and Robbery with a Deadly Weapon.

The arrest report and probable cause affidavit are not available for release, at this time. Additional information concerning this case will be released as it becomes available.

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