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ARREST RELEASE

DATE & TIME **02/12/14 8:42 AM**

Bureau: **Field Services Bureau**

Authorized Supervisor: **Lieutenant Patrick Hoey**

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Incident: **Aggravated Discharge of Firearm Arrest**

MESSAGE

On February 11, 2014 at 1028 hours Rockford Police officers were dispatched to the Jackson Hewitt tax office at 1070 W. Riverside in reference to someone firing a handgun inside the business. Officers were advised the incident was domestic related and the suspect had left the business.

The Investigation showed that a 48 year old female employee was opening the business and was accompanied by her boyfriend. They were approached by the female's ex-husband who possessed a handgun. The ex-husband fired one shot at the new boyfriend. The bullet was lodged in the lining of the male's thick winter coat and did not penetrate his body. The suspect and male victim engaged in a physical fight and the male victim was able to wrestle away the suspect's handgun. The suspect then fled on foot.

Shortly after 5:00pm on February 11, 2014 Rockford Police Officers went to the suspect's residence where he was located and taken into custody. This case was reviewed by the Winnebago County State's Attorney's Office who authorized charges against the suspect.

Arrested:

WILLIAMS, FREDRICK M. 58 years of age, Rockford resident.

Charges:

Aggravated Discharge Of A Firearm At A Person

Unlawful Use of Weapon by felon.

Bond amount \$500,000.00 10 %.

The charges against Williams are accusations and he is considered innocent until proven guilty.

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