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ARREST RELEASE

On May 20, 2016 at approximately 1:45am Rockford Police Officers investigated an armed robbery that occurred at a residence in the 900 block of 8th Avenue. The adult male victim advised he had previously met a woman via backpage.com and he made arrangements for her to come to his residence. Shortly after the female's arrival at the residence a male entered the victim's home armed with a knife and robbed the victim. The male suspect and female then left the residence.

Detectives were able to identify both the female and suspect and upon review by the Winnebago County State's Attorney's Office the charge of Armed Robbery was authorized against both the suspect and the female.

On June 2, 2016 Rockford Police Officers and Winnebago County Sheriff's Deputies arrested the suspects at a residence in the 4400 block of Compton Ave.

Arrested:

Tyler Laske, male 20 years of age, Winnebago County resident

Gabriela Ortiz, female 20 years of age, Winnebago County resident

Charge:

Armed Robbery, \$300,000.00 bond

The charges against Laske and Ortiz are accusations and they are considered innocent until proved guilty.

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