



POLICE DEPARTMENT

2454 Route 940

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CURRENT DATE: 2/5/2019

OFFICER: CHIEF CHRIS WAGNER

DATE OF INCIDENT: 2/4/2019 TIME OF INCIDENT: 1801

LOCATION OF INCIDENT: State Routes 940 and 115 Tobyhanna Township, Montoe County PA

TYPE OF INCIDENT: Aggravated Assault on Police / Fleeing and Eluding

PERSONS ARRESTED / ACCUSED:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Address</u>
Anthony Williams,	32 years old,	from Newark New Jersey

SUMMARY OF DETAILS: On 2/4/ 2019, at approximately 1801 hours, a patrol officer from Pocono Mountain Regional Police observed a vehicle traveling along State Route 940 at a high rate of speed. The vehicle was traveling west, in the east bound lane of travel. At the time of the observation, the officer was traveling east and was almost struck by this vehicle as were other cars in front of him. The officer then turned around and attempted to stop Williams who continued at a high rate of speed, west on SR 940. During this time, Williams was passing vehicles on the left and right side of the road. This conduct forced multiple vehicles off the roadway to avoid being struck. Williams did strike 3 separate vehicles, causing minor damage. Williams then turned north onto SR 115. Eventually, his vehicle became disabled near the Monroe / Luzern County line. As the Officer exited his vehicle, Williams put his vehicle in reverse and accelerated towards the officer striking the patrol car. Williams then fled on foot into the woods. The officer gave chase and was captured after a brief foot pursuit. Williams was arraigned and is in Monroe County Correctional Facility

CHARGES FILED (Include grading): Aggravated Assault (F1 and F2), Fleeing and Eluding (F-3), Resisting Arrest (M-2), Reckless Endangerment (M-2), Simple Assault (M2), Accident with Attended Motor Vehicle (M-3), Multiple summary traffic offenses

CHARGES PENDING (Include grading):

ARRAIGNMENT JUDGE: Daniel Higgins

BAIL: \$50,000

PRELIMINARY HEARING:

Date: 2/14/2019 Time: 1000 District Justice: Richard Claypool



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DATE OF INCIDENT: 10/13/2018 TIME OF INCIDENT: 2301

LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 8955 Deerfield Drive Tobyhanna PA.

TYPE OF INCIDENT: Home Invasion Burglary

PERSONS ARRESTED / ACCUSED:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Address</u>
Christopher Babbino,	20 years old	from Tobyhanna PA.
Michael Benson,	21 years old	from Albrightsville PA.
Barrington Perry,	19 years old	from Tobyhanna PA.
Robert Roe-Laverty,	24 years old	from Tobyhanna PA.
Jessica Echevarria,	36 years old	from Tobyhanna PA.

SUMMARY OF DETAILS: See Attached

CHARGES FILED (Include grading): See Attached

CHARGES PENDING (Include grading): See Attached

ARRAIGNMENT JUDGE: Travagline

BAIL:

PRELIMINARY HEARING:

Date: Time: District Justice: Choose an item.

PMRPD ASSISTED BY:

PHOTOS ATTACHED: Yes

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APPROVED: Yes DATE: 2/5/2019 CW

On October 13, 2018 at approximately 2301 hours PMRPD Officers were dispatched to a residential burglary in progress at 8955 Deerfield Drive, in Coolbaugh Township. The caller advised several males kicked in his front door and fled on foot. PMRPD also received notice from the alarm company about the front door activation. Officers arrived on scene and met with the caller/victim. The victim advised that he lives at the house alone and was sitting on the couch in the living room watching television when he heard someone knock on his front door. The victim advised that one minute after the knocking, the door suddenly opened with a loud bang. He then saw several males look inside at him and run away.

The victim showed police home security footage of the incident. The footage showed two males approach the front of the house and look around, two additional males came into frame. One of the males carried a large flashlight, another male had what appeared to be a bag, and a third male looked around, and a fourth male carried what appeared to be a shotgun. The video showed one of the males knock on the door. Then about a minute later another male turned his back to the door and delivered a "mule kick" to the door, causing it to forcibly open. The males looked inside and ran away suddenly. After completing the initial investigation, PMRPD began receiving additional dispatches related to additional forcible burglaries that occurred in the surrounding streets of A Pocono Country Place(APCP) community.

As a part of this ongoing investigation, (7) additional burglaries or burglary attempts were located from this night committed by the same actor(s). They were identified 7046 Vista Drive, 7156 Mountain Drive, 662 Country Place Drive, 717 Country Place Drive, 779 Country Place Drive, 8220 Natures Drive, and 8576 Bumblebee Way in APCP. Charges are pending in these investigations.

The initial surveillance video was aired by local television media and through online media sources and as a result, the public provided numerous tips to law enforcement identifying the actors. These tips included the names of Barrington Perry and Christopher Babbino as two of the actors in the video. Further investigation developed identities for the remaining two actors of Robert Roe-Laverty and Michael Benson. Through this investigation, PMRPD determined that Roe-Laverty was a fugitive from justice and had a bench warrant in Monroe County. PMRPD, through a separate investigation, was able to obtain an arrest warrant for Perry for possessing a stolen vehicle which was located at his residence at 8440 Bear Trail Tobyhanna PA .

On 10/18/2018 PMRPD Patrol Officers and Detectives were attempting to locate Perry and Roe-Laverty around Bumble Bee Way in Tobyhanna, while also canvassing the areas around many of the burglaries. As a result, Robert Roe-Laverty and Christopher Babbino were located and arrested while attempting to elude police and avoid capture while hiding in a nearby home on Chipmunk Drive. They were arrested with two handguns and stolen property, charged with these crimes and subsequently incarcerated in the Monroe County Correctional facility. During this phase of the investigation, investigators interviewed Jessica Echevarria. Echevarria identified herself as the girlfriend of Christopher Babbino. Echevarria provided false information, statements and alibi to investigators in an attempt to protect Babbino for his involvement in the burglary.

Further investigation and evidence collected formally identified Roe-Laverty, Babbino, Perry, and Benson as the actors captured in the video on 10/13/2018. As a result of the ongoing investigation, investigators

identified that the shotgun possessed by Benson in the video belonged to Roe-Laverty and was stolen. It was further determined that Babbino and Roe-Laverty are prohibited from the possession of firearms.

Charges:

Christopher Babbio:

8955 Deerfield Drive Tobyhanna PA. PA 903 (a)(1) Criminal Conspiracy to Commit Burglary (F-1), PA 18 3502 (a) Burglary (F-1), , PA 18 907 (b) Possession an Instrument of Crime (M-1), PA 18 5506 Prowling or Loitering at Night (M-3).

Chipmunk Drive Tobyhanna PA. PA. 903 (c) Criminal Conspiracy to Commit Multiple Criminal Objectives (F-2), PA 18 3925 (a) Receiving Stolen Property (F-2), PA 18 5102 (a)(1) Hindering Apprehension or Prosecution (F-3), Possession an Instrument of Crime (M-1), PA 18 4910 (1) Tampering with or Fabricating Physical Evidence (M-2)

Michael Benson:

8955 Deerfield Drive Tobyhanna PA. PA 18 903 (a)(1) Criminal Conspiracy to Commit Burglary (F-1), PA 18 3502 (a) Burglary (F-1), PA 18 6105 (a) Persons not to Possess Firearms (F-1), PA 18 907 (b) Possession an Instrument of Crime (M-1), PA 18 5506 Prowling or Loitering at Night (M-3)

Barrington Petry:

8955 Deerfield Drive Tobyhanna PA. PA 18 903 (a)(1) Criminal Conspiracy to Commit Burglary (F-1), PA 18 3502 (a) Burglary (F-1), PA 18 907 (b) Possession an Instrument of Crime (M-1), PA 18 5506 Prowling or Loitering at Night (M-3)

8440 Bear Trail Tobyhanna PA. PA 18 3925 (a) Receiving Stolen Property (F-3), PA 18 3304 (a)(1) Criminal Mischief (M-2), PA 35 780-113 (a)(32) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (M)

Robert Roe-Laverty

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Chipmunk Drive Tobyhanna PA. Persons not to Possess Firearms (F-2), PA. 903 (c) Criminal Conspiracy to Commit Multiple Criminal Objectives (F-2), PA 18 3925 (a) Receiving Stolen Property (F-2), PA 18 5102 (a)(1) Hindering Apprehension or Prosecution (F-3), Possession an Instrument of Crime (M-1), PA 18 4910 (1) Tampering with or Fabricating Physical Evidence (M-2)

Jessica Echevarria:

PA 18 5102 (a)(1) Hindering Apprehension or Prosecution (F-3)