

Troopers Investigating Bank Robbery-Newark



Newark – Delaware State Police are currently investigating a bank robbery that occurred yesterday afternoon, and are asking for the public's assistance in identifying and locating the suspect.

The incident occurred at approximately 2:56 p.m., Wednesday, December 20, 2017, at the Artisans Bank, located at 2424 Pulaski Highway, Newark. The above pictured suspect entered the bank, and approached a 63 year old female employee at the teller counter, and provided her with a demand note. The victim complied with the instructions contained in the note, and turned over an undisclosed amount of cash. Once obtaining the money, the suspect fled the bank on foot, southbound towards the Peoples Plaza Shopping Center. The victim was not injured as a result of this incident.

The suspect is described as a white male, 40-50 years of age, 5'10" tall, weighing approximately 170-180 lbs., with a long, predominantly white beard, wearing a black coat and tan pants.

Investigative leads have determined that this suspect may also

be responsible for multiple bank robberies that have occurred in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York, which are being investigated by the F.B.I.

Anyone with information regarding this incident or the pictured suspect, is asked to contact the Troop 2 Robbery Unit at 302-365-8566 or the F.B.I. Philadelphia office at 215-418-4000. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov.

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