

Suspect Arrested in Armed Robbery of Convenience Store-Greenwood



Thomas E. Mitchell

Greenwood— The Delaware State Police with the assistance of the Bridgeville Police Department and the Greenwood Police Department, arrest a suspect in connection with an armed robbery of a Convenience Store that occurred last evening.

The incident occurred at approximately 7:37 p.m. on Monday, March 12, 2018 at Al's Country Store located at 4937

Hickman Road, Greenwood. Upon arrival, Troopers made contact with a store employee who advised that a white male, dressed in all black clothing had entered the store with a handgun and demanded all of the money in the register. The victim complied with the suspects demands and turned over an undisclosed amount of cash. The suspect fled the scene in a silver pickup truck with its tailgate down which prevented the victim from seeing the registration plate.

The victim described the suspect as a white male, wearing black pants, a black hooded sweatshirt with the hood up, a black leather jacket, a black ski mask, and gloves.

Shortly thereafter, a traffic stop on a silver pickup truck with the tailgate down was conducted by the Bridgeville Police Department and the Greenwood Police Department. The operator, identified as 37-year-old **Thomas E. Mitchell** of Greenwood matched the description provided by the victim. Mitchell was subsequently taken into custody and a .25 caliber firearm and a loaded magazine was observed and removed from the front passengers seat of the vehicle.

A subsequent search of Mitchell's person yielded counterfeit currency and a review of his vehicle revealed that he applied tape to the vehicle's registration plate and model description alongside of the truck.

Mitchell was transported to Troop 4 where he was charged with Robbery 1st degree, Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a Felony, Aggravated Menacing, Wearing a Disguise During the Commission of a Felony, Forgery 1st degree, and Failure to Display a License Plate. He was arraigned out of the Justice of the Peace Court 3 and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution on \$115,001.00 cash only bond.

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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