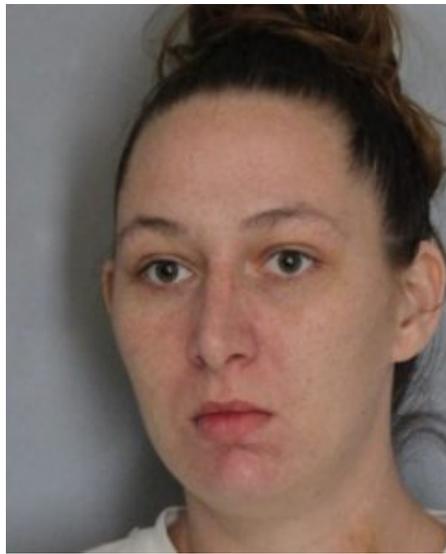


***UPDATE-Arrest Made* Troopers Investigating Attempted Purse Snatching – Wilmington**

Wilmington – The Delaware State Police have arrested Jeffrey M. Poore, 37, and Jennifer N. Reader, 32, both of Elsmere, for their involvement in an attempted purse snatching that took place in the 1600 block of Kirkwood Hwy., on News Year Day.



Jennifer N. READER

During the incident, a male subject later identified as Poore, attempted to snatch the purse of an 18 year old female victim as she walked along the sidewalk in front of the VA hospital. After a brief struggle the victim was able to retain possession of her purse, but did sustain a laceration to her hand, which required medical treatment. After the robbery attempt, Poore fled on foot across Kirkwood Hwy., towards Maple Avenue.

Through a variety of investigative measures Delaware State Police detectives with the assistance of the Elsmere Police Department were able to develop a blue, Pontiac G6 as a suspect vehicle. The vehicle was then positively linked to Reader, who resides in the 1200 block of Maple Avenue, in Elsmere. Further investigation resulted in the

positive identification of Poore, who was taken in to custody without incident, in the vicinity of the Maple Avenue residence. In addition to confirming Poore's involvement in the incident, detectives were also able to determine that Reader was involved with not only the planning of the robbery, but also acted as the getaway driver after the failed attempt.

Both subjects were transported to Troop 2 where they were formally charged and arraigned. Poore was charged with one count each of Attempted Robbery 1st Degree, Possession of a Deadly Weapon during the Commission of a Felony and Conspiracy 2nd Degree. Reader was charged with one count of Conspiracy 2nd Degree.

Poore was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #2 and then committed to the Howard R. Young Correctional Institution on \$51,000.00 secured bail.

Reader was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #2 and released on \$1000.00 unsecured bail.

Click on the following link to view the original release:

<https://dsp.delaware.gov/2019/01/02/troopers-investigating-attempted-purse-snatching-wilmington/>

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