

Traffic Stop Results in Gun and Drug Arrest

The Delaware State Police have arrested 20-year-old **Jeremiah Weatherspoon** of Magnolia, Delaware on gun and drug charges following a traffic stop that occurred yesterday morning.

On February 18, 2023, at approximately 9:00 a.m., a trooper on patrol observed a silver Honda sedan traveling southbound on South Dupont Highway in Dover. The trooper noticed that the driver failed to stop for a red turn arrow as he turned left onto Walnut Shade Road from South Dupont Highway. The trooper stopped the car and contacted the driver and only occupant, identified as Jeremiah Weatherspoon. The trooper smelled the odor of marijuana and Weatherspoon failed to show valid proof of insurance for the Honda. Weatherspoon was asked to exit the car, and a probable cause search of the vehicle led to the discovery of approximately 29.32 grams of marijuana and a concealed and loaded handgun. Weatherspoon is 20 years old and is prohibited from possessing a firearm and/or ammunition.

Weatherspoon was taken to Troop 3 and charged with the following crimes.

- Possession of a Firearm by a Person Prohibited (Felony)
- Possession of Ammunition by a Person Prohibited (Felony)
- Carrying a Concealed Firearm (Felony)
- Possession of Marijuana
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
- Traffic violations

Weatherspoon was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 7 and released on \$15,300 unsecured bond.

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