State Police Arrest Man for Newark Area Smoke Shop Shoplifting Turned Robbery

The Delaware State Police arrested 31-year-old **Daquan Christy** of Newark, Delaware, for a shoplifting turned robbery that occurred at a Newark area smoke shop yesterday afternoon.

On January 29, 2025, at approximately 3:53 p.m., troopers responded to a report of a robbery at King Smoke Shop, located at 4614 Ogletown Stanton Road in Newark. The preliminary investigation revealed that the suspect approached the King Smoke Shop employee at the counter and inquired about products. The suspect then grabbed the merchandise and began to flee from the shop with the unpaid items. The employee attempted to stop the suspect from exiting the store, at which point the suspect punched the employee multiple times and a physical altercation ensued. The fight continued in the parking lot, until the suspect ultimately fled on foot towards in a northbound direction with the stolen merchandise. Delaware Division of Alcohol & Tobacco Enforcement Officers assisted troopers with canvassing the area, and quickly located him in a nearby park. The suspect, identified as Daquan Christy, was taken into custody without incident. A search of his person led to the discovery of the stolen merchandise.

The employee was evaluated at the scene by EMS for his injuries.

Christy was taken to Troop 2, where he was charged with the crime listed below, arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 2, and committed to Howard R. Young Correctional Institution on a $3,000 secured bond.



Daquan Christy

- Robbery 2nd Degree (Felony)

Disclaimer: Any individual charged in this release is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.