State Police Arrest New Jersey Man in Pepper Spray Assault at Newark Convenience Store

The Delaware State Police arrested 52-year-old **Aldo Funari II**, of Carneys Point Township, New Jersey, in connection with a pepper spray assault that occurred Thursday afternoon at a Newark convenience store.

On February 26, 2026, at approximately 12:30 p.m., troopers responded to the Wawa located at 274 East Chestnut Hill Road for a report of an assault. The preliminary investigation revealed two drivers became involved in a verbal dispute after one accused the other of crashing into their vehicle. During the argument, Funari sprayed the other driver in their eyes with pepper spray.

The victim, a 69-year-old man from Newark, was treated on scene by emergency medical services and released.

Funari was taken into custody without incident and transported to Troop 6. He was charged with Assault Second Degree (Felony), arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 2, and released on a $2,500 unsecured bond.