State Police Arrest Wilmington Man for Robberies at Convenience Stores in New Castle County

The Delaware State Police have arrested 56-year-old **Michael Reynolds** of Wilmington for the robbery of two convenience stores in New Castle County earlier this month.

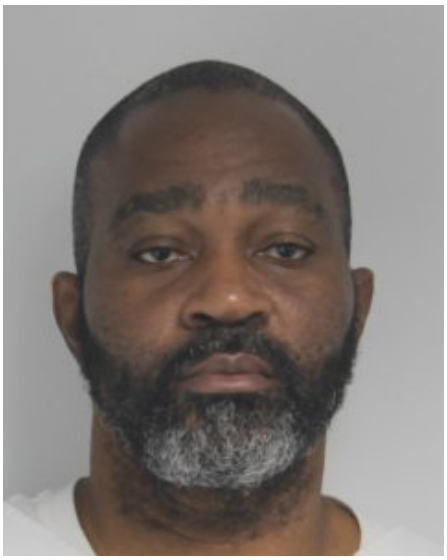
On May 3, 2026, at approximately 8:15 p.m., troopers responded to the Shore Stop located at 796 South Old Baltimore Pike in Newark for a reported robbery. The investigation revealed that an unknown suspect, who was wearing a mask and armed with a knife, entered the business and approached the store clerk. The suspect demanded money from the register. The clerk complied, and the suspect fled with an undisclosed amount of money. No injuries were reported.

On May 4, 2026, at approximately 7:30 p.m., troopers responded to the Shell gas station located at 3001 New Castle Avenue in New Castle for a reported robbery. The investigation revealed an unknown male suspect, armed with a knife, approached two clerks and demanded money from the cash register. The clerks complied, and the suspect stole an undisclosed amount of money before driving away in a white Ford Taurus. No injuries were reported. Shortly thereafter, troopers located the Ford in the City of Wilmington and attempted to make a traffic stop. The driver failed to stop and fled, leading to a brief vehicle pursuit. Troopers initially lost sight of the vehicle, but the Ford was later found abandoned near Wilson Street and East 13th Street.

Through investigative means, detectives identified Michael Reynolds as the suspect, and a warrant was obtained for his

arrest. Detectives also learned that Reynolds was the suspect of additional incidents being investigated by the New Castle County Police Department and the Wilmington Police Department during the same timeframe.

On May 15, 2026, Reynolds, who was in the custody of the Wilmington Police Department, was charged with the offenses listed below. He was arraigned by the Justice of the Peace Court 11 and committed to the Delaware Department of Correction on a $420,000 cash bond.



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- Robbery First Degree (Felony) – 3 counts
- Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a Felony (Felony) – 3 counts
- Wearing a Disguise During the Commission of a Felony (Felony)
- Disregarding a Police Officers Signal (Felony)
- Traffic Violations