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ARREST REPORT / NOTICE TO APPEAR

WALTON COUNTY SHERIFF

REPORT TYPE ARREST NOTICE TO APPEAR

ORI NUMBER

FL0660000

CHARGE TYPES FELONY MISDEMEANOR ORDINANCE TRAFFIC FELONY TRAFFIC MISDEMEANOR OTHER

AGENCY REPORT NUMBER 2023-00054353

LOCATION OF ARREST 842 STATE HIGHWAY 20 FREEPORT

LOCATION OF OFFENSE 16080 STATE HIGHWAY 20 NICEVILLE

DATE AND TIME OF ARREST 04/25/2023 21:00

OFFENSE DATE AND TIME 04/21/2023 12:13

JACKET TYPE Adult NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE SUFFIX) KEEBLER, THOMAS ELWYN DOB 7/4/1982 AGE 40 SEX Male

RACE White HEIGHT 5'10" WEIGHT HAIR COLOR Brown EYE COLOR Brown COMPLEXION BUILD

LOCAL ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP) 11060 LEE RD Valley, AL 36854 PHONE NTA THUMB PRINT

PERMANENT ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP) PHONE

BUSINESS NAME AND ADDRESS (OR PARENT INFO IF JUVENILE) OCCUPATION- PHONE

SCARS, MARKS TATTOOS INDICATION OF ALCOHOL INFLUENCE: No DRUG INFLUENCE: No

DL NUMBER/STATE 6907135/AL OF BIRTH CITIZENSHIP

CHARGE DESCRIPTION Abuse Child Without Great Bodily Harm WARRANT NUMBER COUNTS 1 F.S. ORD STATUTE/ORD VIOLATION CODE 827.03.2c

CHARGE DESCRIPTION Battery - Touch Or Strike WARRANT NUMBER COUNTS 1 F.S. ORD STATUTE/ORD VIOLATION CODE 784.03.1a1

CHARGE DESCRIPTION Criminal Mischief - Over 200 Dols Under 1000 Dols WARRANT NUMBER COUNTS 1 F.S. ORD STATUTE/ORD VIOLATION CODE 806.13.1b2

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The undersigned certifies and swears that he/she has just and reasonable grounds to believe, and does believe the above named Defendant committed the following violation of law: On the 25 day of April, 2023 at 2100 A.M. P.M. (Specifically include facts constituting cause for arrest.)

Personally comes your affiant, Sergeant Bigham, of the Walton County Sheriff's Office, who states as a sworn law enforcement officer, the above named Defendant (THOMAS ELWYN KEEBLER - DOB - 07/04/1982) did commit the offense of ABUSE CHILD WITHOUT GREAT BODILY HARM, which is in violation of Florida State Statute 827.03.2c; BATTERY TOUCH OR STRIKE, which is in violation of Florida State Statute 784.03.1a1; and CRIMINAL MISCHIEF, OVER 200 DOLLARS LESS THAN 1000 DOLLARS, which is in violation of Florida State Statute 806.13.1b2. This did occur in Walton County, Florida.

CONTINUED FOR: NARRATIVE CHARGES

MANDATORY APPEARANCE IN COURT LOCATION (COURT, ROOM NUMBER, ADDRESS) COURT DATE/TIME MONTH DAY YEAR TIME A.M. P.M.

I AGREE TO APPEAR AT THE TIME AND PLACE DESIGNATED TO ANSWER THE OFFENSE CHARGED OR TO PAY THE FINE DESCRIBED. I UNDERSTAND THAT SHOULD I WILLFULLY FAIL TO APPEAR BEFORE THE COURT AS REQUIRED BY THIS NOTICE TO APPEAR, THAT I MAY BE HELD IN CONTEMPT OF COURT AND A WARRANT FOR MY ARREST OR A TAKE INTO CUSTODY ORDER SHALL BE ISSUED.

SIGNATURE OF DEFENDANT/JUVENILE SIGNATURE OF JUVENILE PARENT/CUSTODIAN

ADMINISTRATIVE I SWEAR/AFFIRM THE ABOVE AND ATTACHED STATEMENTS ARE TRUE AND CORRECT OFFICER'S/COMPLAINANT'S SIGNATURE BIGHAM, AARON R 04/25/2023 ATTESTING OFFICER BENNETT, DAVID JOSHUA 04/25/2023

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PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

On 04/21/2023, Thomas Keebler was traveling westbound (Chevy Silverado, white, AL 12A1D85) on State Highway 20 West, while behind a red sedan. According to the victim in the red sedan, Keebler was not maintaining a proper distance, driving aggressively, and even passed the victim and applied his brakes once in front of them. The victim continued traveling westbound and parked at the Boggy Bayou Store (16080 Hwy 20). It should be noted, there were three individuals in the sedan, one of which is a juvenile. The victim was parked at the gas pumps and noticed the white Silverado turning into the same parking lot. It must be noted, Keebler parked his vehicle perpendicular to the pump area, which is in front of the victim, thereby preventing her from exiting the parking lot.

According to the victim, Keebler aggressively exited his vehicle, walked toward the sedan while screaming obscenities and appeared to be in a rage. It should be noted, before any physical contact was made, Keebler approached the sedan, squared up to the window and lunged toward the victim. It is at this moment, where Keebler reached into the vehicle (the window was rolled down) and attempted to strike the individual in the back seat. The juvenile exited the vehicle and was thrown to the ground by Keebler. The third passenger attempted to exit the vehicle, but Keebler prevented him from doing such by kicking the door closed on his leg. The passenger attempted a second time to exit the vehicle, but Keebler once again kicked the door closed, which resulted in a very large dent to the rear door.

Based on surveillance footage from the Boggy Bayou Store, it shows Keebler initiating the physical contact and the incident itself. Keebler exited his truck and approached the sedan. He is animated (there is no audio) and approached the back door. The window to the sedan was down, which allowed Keebler to reach inside and attempt to strike one of the passengers. At this point, one of the passengers attempted to exit the vehicle, but Keebler kicked the door, which shoved the individual back into the vehicle, thereby resulting in damage. It should be noted, while Keebler was screaming at one of the individuals, a juvenile passenger exited the vehicle, but was grabbed by Keebler. Keebler suddenly and with great force shoved the juvenile to the ground, which caused her to land flat on her back on the pavement. The driver attempted to intervene, but Keebler placed him in a headlock and struck him numerous times in the head area. According to the surveillance footage, an unknown male assisted, intervened, and broke up the incident. At this moment, Keebler entered his vehicle and left the scene.

It must be noted, all three victims advised they had never seen Keebler before. All three victims wanted to pursue charges and filed Affidavits of Complaint. The following should be noted: the three victims are of small stature, with the youngest being 16 years old. Based on her appearance, she is obviously a juvenile to any reasonable individual. Keebler is a forty-year-old man who is large and muscular.

On 04/25/2023, contact was made with Keebler, who agreed to speak with law enforcement. After the reading of his Miranda Rights, Keebler agreed to speak about the incident. Keebler advised the incident was physical and asked multiple times, "am I going to jail, it's ok if I am, I just want to be prepared." When asked about the ages of the victims, Keebler said, "I need an attorney don't I?"

Keebler was charged with Abuse Child Without Great Bodily Harm for maliciously and intentionally striking a

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juvenile for the primarily purpose to cause unjustifiable pain or injury. Keebler was charged with Battery Touch or Strike, due to the actual and intentional touch or strike to another person against his or her will. Keebler was charged with Criminal Mischief, Over 200 Dollars Less Than 1000 Dollars, due to him willfully and maliciously damaging the personal property belonging to another person.

Based on sworn written statements and surveillance footage, Keebler was arrested and transported to the Walton County Jail without incident.

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