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PRESS RELEASE

The New Jersey State Police, the Warren County Prosecutor's Office and the Phillipsburg Police Department, executed a search warrant on February 19, 2022 at 81 Broad Street in Phillipsburg, New Jersey. The search warrant was part of four week on-going investigation into the distribution of illegal narcotics in the Phillipsburg Area.

During execution of the search warrant police recovered:

- (6) semi automatic handguns of various make/caliber (3 ghost guns / 1 defaced)
- Ammo container with .223 ammunition, several boxes of various caliber hollow point ammunition, shotgun shells, multiple high capacity magazines, and a 12 gauge drum magazine
- \$7,360.00 in US Currency
- 137 grams of Cocaine w/ approximate value of \$8,905.00
- 16 lbs. Marijuana w/ approximate value of \$32,000.00
- (1) vial PCP, Oxycodone, Xanax, and Alprazolam

The adults who were present were taken into custody and charged. Two juveniles who were present were released to their parents. The adults were charged as follows:

1. One count of Conspiracy/Unlawful Possession of Weapons (Handgun) 2C:5-2/ 2C:39-5b. Second Degree. Each second degree charge carries up to ten (10) years New Jersey State Prison.
2. One Count of Conspiracy to Possess Controlled Dangerous Substance 2C:5-2/ 2C:35-10(a). Third Degree. Each third degree charge carries up to five (5) years New Jersey State Prison.

The following individuals were released on February 20, 2022 pending a future court appearance:

- Julius Wilson (08/16/56) 3 Tyndall Ave., Phillipsburg NJ
- Ronald D. Scott (03/21/74) 147 South Main St., Phillipsburg NJ

- Nicole K. Chiappa (07/29/91) 56A Filmore St., Phillipsburg NJ
- Johnson M. Thuo (09/02/98) 25 Marshall St., Phillipsburg NJ
- James P. Smith (08/21/73) 1207 Rosebud Ct., Effort PA
- Sean A. Essington (06/14/75) 5043 Melrose Dr., Tobyhanna PA
- Sheldon W. Allison (03/08/72) 332 North 7th St., Easton PA

The Warren County Prosecutor's Office filed detention motions on numerous individuals. The motions will be heard in the coming days. The following individuals remain at the Warren County Correctional Center pending a detention motion:

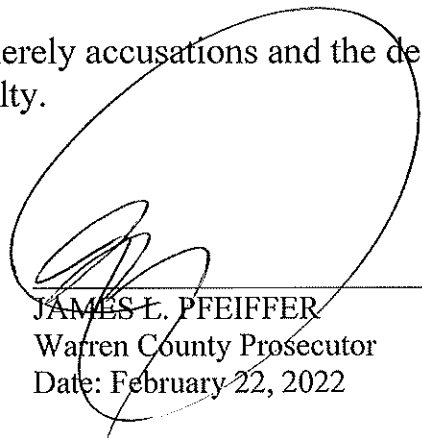
- Nasir Lopez (11/14/01) 169 South Main St., Phillipsburg NJ
- Devon J. McBride (08/02/87) 506 Anderson St., Phillipsburg NJ
- Tahmir C. Carlton (06/30/98) 40 Evelyn Ave., Phillipsburg NJ
- Nigel K. Douglas (05/22/95) 1704 Washington Blvd., Wilson PA
- Chevel M. Jean-Jacques (12/11/88) 158 Washington St., Phillipsburg NJ
- Craig B. Fabian (03/24/86) 65 S. Lincoln Ave., Washington NJ
- Khaleel Z. Ford (08/18/89) 221 S. 4th St., Easton PA

(Ford is facing additional charges of Possession of Controlled Dangerous Substance, 2C:35-10(a)(1), Third Degree. Each third degree charge carries up to five (5) years New Jersey State Prison; for the vial PCP, Oxycodone, Xanax, and Alprazolam found on his person)

This is an ongoing investigation and it is anticipated that additional charges will be filed in the coming days.

Please be advised that charges are merely accusations and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proved guilty.

Approved by:



JAMES L. PFEIFFER
Warren County Prosecutor
Date: February 22, 2022