



TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

NEWS RELEASE

SUBJECT: Weapons Arrest

DATE/TIME: 08/23/16 at approximately 10:30 am

LOCATION: NJ State Parole Office- 8 Reckless Place Red bank NJ

OFFICERS INVOLVED: Detective Sergeant Gregory Tongring. Detectives Bryan Morgan, Mike Legg, Raheem Carter and Police Officer Casey Larrison.

ACCUSED: Eddy Vilus, age 23 of Asbury Park NJ

NARRATIVE:

On 8/22/16 Police Officer Casey Larrison, during a routine vehicle check, discovered a loaded .380 Ruger semiautomatic pistol secreted in the rear door pocket of his marked patrol vehicle. The weapon's serial number had been scratched off beyond recognition. Further investigation by detectives revealed that the accused, Eddy Vilus, had discarded the weapon in the rear of the same vehicle when he had been arrested by Ocean Township Police for an outstanding warrant on 8/19/16.

Detectives arrested Vilus at the NJ State Parole Offices in Red Bank and he was transported to Ocean Township Police headquarters for processing.

Vilus was charged with unlawful possession of a handgun, possession of a defaced firearm, concealing a defaced firearm, certain persons not to have weapons, and tampering with evidence. He was lodged at Monmouth County Correctional Institution in lieu of \$25,000.00 cash bail with no 10% option set by Municipal Court Judge Timothy McGoughran. Vilus is set to appear at a future court hearing.

NO PHOTOS OF ACCUSED ARE AVAILABLE

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