



Richmond Police Department

P.O. Box 203
1168 Main Street
Wyoming, Rhode Island 02898



Elwood M. Johnson, Jr.
Chief of Police

Telephone 401-539-8289
Fax 401-539-8293

PRESS RELEASE - October 25, 2017

1. **FELONY: Domestic - Breaking & Entering a Dwelling House W/O Consent & Domestic - Malicious Damage:** On Friday, October 20th, 2017 at approximately 3:19 PM, **Joel R. Seeram**, age 19, of 30 Greene Lane, Narragansett responded to the Richmond Police Department and was arrested by Lieutenant John Arnold on felony charges of 1) **Domestic Breaking & Entering a Dwelling House w/o Consent**, and 2) **Domestic Malicious Damage**. The charges stemmed from a 911 call made by a Richmond resident at 4:00 AM to complain about an unwelcome subject who refused to leave their property, and who eventually forced his way into the home through a locked basement door. Mr. Seeram allegedly left the scene after the homeowner informed him that they were calling the police. Mr. Seeram learned of the complaint and voluntarily turned himself in at the station, where he was processed. He was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Michael Robinson, and was released on \$5,000 personal recognizance. He was also served with a No-Contact Order barring him from contact with the protected party or their home address.
2. **Misdemeanor - DUI (1st offense - BAC unknown):** On Sunday, October 22nd, 2017 at 2:18 AM, Patrolman Ryan Donohue arrested **Terrence A. Whetstone**, age 45, of 118 Dover Lane, Richmond on charges of (1) **Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol and/ or Drugs (1st offense - BAC unknown)**, and (2) **Refusal to Submit to a Chemical Test (1st offense - civil)**, after Patrolman Donohue conducted a motor vehicle stop on Main Street. Mr. Whetstone was arrested on suspicion of DUI after performing a series of standard field sobriety tests, and was processed at the station. He refused to consent to a chemical test, and was subsequently released with a summons to appear in 4th District Court on November 9, 2017 for arraignment on the above charges.

END OF PRESS RELEASE