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## **WARRANT ARREST LEADS DEPUTIES TO APPREHENSION OF HOMICIDE SUSPECT**

The Allegheny County Sheriff's Office used new law enforcement technology to apprehend Ivan Brice, 17, Wilkinsburg, for a juvenile attachment and a subsequent City of Pittsburgh homicide warrant.

On Saturday morning, sheriff's deputies developed information that Jermaine Rodgers, 18, Wilkinsburg, was staying at a residence in the 1500 block of Swissvale Avenue in Wilkinsburg. Rodgers had an arrest warrant from Penn Hills Police Department for an alleged January 29, 2018 incident where he held a female minor against her will in a Wilkinsburg apartment for four days. The victim alleges Rodgers physically prevented her from communicating with family or friends, and he also physically assaulted her during that time. The charges listed on the warrant are Unlawful Restraint of a Minor, Stalking, Simple Assault and Harassment. Rodgers was also wanted on an active arrest warrant by the Pennsylvania State Police and an Allegheny County criminal bench warrant for Receiving Stolen Property and Fleeing and Eluding law enforcement.

Deputies went to that Swissvale Avenue address and as they engaged the residence, Rodgers ran out the back door where deputies apprehended him.

After deputies entered the residence and Rodgers was apprehended, they located multiple other people in the house. That is when they located Ivan Brice hiding in the basement. Brice gave deputies false information as to his identity. The deputies could not verify any of the information that Brice provided. As a result, the deputies utilized a new Mobile Fingerprint Identification Device (MFID) purchased by Allegheny County District Attorney Stephen Zappala. Mr. Zappala purchased three (3) such scanners and provided them to the Sheriff's Office, which are currently in use.

Once deputies learned of Brice's true identity, they discovered he was wanted on a juvenile attachment out of Shuman Center. Brice was then placed under arrest and also charged with False Identification to Law Enforcement.

Deputies subsequently discovered that Brice was also wanted on a Pittsburgh homicide warrant relating to the January 28, 2018 murder of Devlen Prosdocimo on Wilmer Drive in the City of Pittsburgh.



Ivan Brice



Jermaine Rodgers

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