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One suspect is in custody as a result of an assault with firearm that occurred Saturday afternoon.

On August 28, 2021 at approximately 2:27 in the afternoon, officers from the Salisbury Police Department responded to the 400 block of Hammond Street in reference to an assault with firearm. Upon arrival, officers met with the 24-year-old female victim. The victim advised that a male acquaintance had responded to her residence and began knocking on her door. When she answered, a verbal argument ensued between the two. The male acquaintance returned to his vehicle wherein he and the victim continued their disagreement. According to the victim, the male acquaintance then pulled out a black in color semi-automatic handgun, pointed it at her, and threatened to shoot her. The male acquaintance then left the area in the vehicle.

While attending the above call for service, other officers from the Salisbury Police Department had responded to the 700 block of Priscilla Street to assist the Wicomico County Sheriff's Office with a "road rage" incident. The officers who were on Priscilla Street were able to make contact with 48-year-old Antjuan Thigpen, who matched the description of the suspect from the incident on Hammond Street. During the course of the investigation, officers were able to identify Mr. Thigpen as the suspect who aimed a firearm at the victim. Additionally, the vehicle Mr. Thigpen was allegedly driving was observed by officers on the 700 block of Priscilla Street.

Mr. Thigpen was placed under arrest and transported to the Salisbury Police Department. Mr. Thigpen was later transported to the Wicomico County Detention Center to be seen by a District Court Commissioner.

Subsequently, the vehicle Mr. Thigpen had been allegedly operating was towed back to the Salisbury Police Department. Officers later authored a search and seizure warrant which was signed by a Circuit Court Judge. On August 29, 2021 the search and seizure warrant was executed and a loaded 9mm semi-automatic handgun was recovered from the vehicle.

A records search was conducted on the handgun and it was not found to be stolen. Officers and detectives are continuing their investigation into how Mr. Thigpen came to be in possession of the handgun. This investigation is ongoing and the Salisbury Police Department is requesting anyone with information regarding this incident to contact the Salisbury Police Department Criminal Investigation Division at (410) 548-3165. Information can also be provided anonymously through Crime Solvers at (410) 548-1776.

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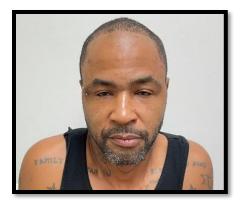
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ARRESTED:

Antjuan Thigpen, 48-years-of-age Salisbury, MD

CHARGES:

- First Degree Assault
- Second Degree Assault,
 - Reckless Endangerment
- **Firearm related charges pending**

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