

Key West Police Department

Case 25004065

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Status	Approved
Report Type	Patrol
Primary Officer	Ivan Golovanov
Investigator	None
Reported At	08/03/25 22:13
Incident Date	08/03/25 22:13
Incident Code	S36B : Battery
Location	511 CAROLINE ST, KEY WEST, FL 33040 (CURRY MANSION INN)
Zone	Zone 2
Beat	B1
Disposition	4. Cleared as Arrest
Disposition Date/Time	08/03/25 23:04
Review for Gang Activity	None

Offense Information

Offense	BATTERY; TOUCH OR STRIKE
Statute	784.03-1a1
NIBRS Code	13B - Simple Assault
Counts	1
Date	Between 8/3/25 and 8/3/25
Include In NIBRS	Yes
Completed	Yes
Details	Offender(s) Used Alcohol
Bias Motivation	None (no bias)
Location	Hotel/Motel/Etc
Entry Forced	No
Forces Used	Personal Weapons

Offense	RESIST / OBSTRUCT OFFICER W/O VIOLENCE
Statute	843.02
NIBRS Code	90Z - All Other Offenses
Counts	1
Date	Between 8/3/25 and 8/3/25
Include In NIBRS	Yes
Completed	Yes
Details	Offender(s) Used Alcohol
Bias Motivation	None (no bias)
Location	Highway/Road/Alley/Street/Sidewalk
Entry Forced	No

Arrestee

WILLIS, LONNIE LEE

Male, DOB 3/6/77

145 E STATE ST 409

TRENTON, NJ 08608

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Victim

FLORIDA, STATE OF

Unknown, DOB 3/3/1845

FL

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VIOLENCE**WILSON, TARA YVETTE**

Female, DOB 8/3/73

118 MELVIN AVE

MORRISVILLE, PA 19067

(267) 980-4361 Cell

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Original Narrative By Ivan Golovanov, 08/04/25 02:21

On 08/03/2025 at approximately 2200 hours, I, Officer Golovanov, was dispatched to "Curry Mansion Inn" (511 Caroline Street) in reference to a 911 hang-up incident. The female stated to KWPD Dispatch that a male is intoxicated and out of control, and then hung up the phone.

Upon my arrival, I observed a black female (Tara Y. Wilson, DOB: 08/03/1973) and a black male (Lonnie L. Willis, DOB: 03/06/1977) standing on a sidewalk in front of 512 Caroline St. Tara, who appeared to be in some sort of emotional distress, immediately started to approach me and stated while pointing on Lonnie: "One of us needs to be separated, because I just got pushed on the porch". At this moment, Lonnie started approaching me, and I immediately told Lonnie to wait for a second. Lonnie continued to approach me, and I again instructed Lonnie to wait. However, Lonnie replied, "I am not going to," and kept approaching me and Tara. I warned Lonnie again to wait, or he would be handcuffed. Lonnie stopped and extended both of his arms in front of me. I told Lonnie to place his hands behind his back, and he complied; however, Lonnie stated: "Do not be rough, or I will be rough!" and pulled away from me. I managed to handcuff Lonnie and gave him a loud verbal command to sit down. Lonnie replied: "I am not sitting nowhere!". I informed Lonnie that he is now detained, and he must sit down. I also informed him that if he does not comply, he will go to jail, because I am investigating a physical altercation. I told Lonnie again to sit down, and he replied, "No!" At that moment, I had probable cause to arrest Lonnie for resisting, and I started to walk him to my patrol vehicle.

While walking Lonnie to my patrol vehicle, he began to pull away from me again, and I gave him another lawful order to stop resisting. Lonnie then spun and broke free. At that moment, Lonnie was facing me, and I pulled out and activated my department-issued Taser, pointing it at Lonnie. I told Lonnie again to stop resisting and walk towards my car, and Lonnie replied, "I am not gonna do it!" I then performed a spark test and told Lonnie to walk to my car again. Lonnie again refused to walk and stated, "Put your gun down!" At this moment, I drive-stunned Lonnie to his left shoulder. Lonnie started walking towards my vehicle. I grabbed Lonnie's right forearm and leaned him against my vehicle with my Taser pressed to his right shoulder blade. Ofc. Vanderhoof arrived on the scene, and I searched Lonnie while Ofc.

Vanderhoof was holding him. Lonnie was later placed in the back of my patrol vehicle. I also requested a supervisor at this moment for "RRI". Sergeant Peters arrived shortly after.

It is to be noted that when I was searching Lonnie, he made a spontaneous statement: "Why are you treating me like that? Is that because I beat her up?"

I went back to speak with Tara. Tara stated the following: she and Lonnie were sitting on the porch of the second building of the "Curry Mansion Inn" (512 Caroline St.) It is Tara's birthday, and Lonnie, who was already intoxicated, wanted to go out; however, Tara did not want to go out, which made Lonnie mad. He stated, "Oh, bitch, you do not want to go out?" Then, Lonnie flipped over a rocking chair on which Tara was sitting, causing her to fall and hit the back of her head and lower back. After that, Lonnie spanked Tara on her face and kept saying: "Bitch, I beat you up!" Tara refused any medical help.

Tara also mentioned that when Lonnie is drinking, he does not remember anything he said the next day. Therefore, Tara recorded her conversation with Lonnie, and the recording confirmed her statements about Lonnie's belligerent behavior toward her (the recording was captured on my BWC). Tara also mentioned that she and Lonnie have been a couple for two years.

I went to the porch when the incident occurred and noticed approximately 2-foot-long white marks on the floor in front of one of the rocking chairs. These marks are consistent with Tara's statement that Lonnie flipped the chair she was sitting in. Tara also confirmed that she was in the chair in front of which I observed the marks. I also noticed a security camera on the porch that was pointed in the direction where Tara was sitting. Unfortunately, the staff of "Curry Mansion Inn" had already left, so I will try to obtain video footage on my next working day.

I went back to speak with Lonnie and read him his "Miranda Rights". Lonnie stated that he understood his rights; however, he refused to speak with me without his lawyer. I did not ask Lonnie any questions regarding the incident. I informed Lonnie that he is under arrest for domestic battery and resisting without violence.

Tara received a "Victim's Rights" brochure with my name and the case number of the incident.

I transported Lonnie to MCDC without incident. MCDC deputies rejected Lonnie without medical clearance after he was drive-stunned. I transported Lonnie to Lower Keys Medical Center when he was medically cleared and then transported him back to MCDC.

My BWC, Fleet, and In-car cameras were activated during this incident and uploaded to Evidence.com.

Based on the facts and evidence in this case, I believe that Lonnie L. Willis violated FSS 784.03-1a1 battery, touch, or strike. Lonnie willfully and intentionally flipped the chair where his girlfriend Tara Y. Wilson was sitting, causing her to hit her head and lower back. Lonnie also slapped Tara on the face.

Based on the facts and evidence in this case, I believe that Lonnie L. Willis violated FSS 843.02, resisting without violence. Lonnie willfully and intentionally refused to obey my lawful orders multiple times while being detained. Lonnie pulled his hands away when I attempted to handcuff him and refused to sit down and then walk to my patrol vehicle.