

Key West Police Department

Case 25004869

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Status	Approved
Report Type	Patrol
Primary Officer	Esteban Andrade
Investigator	None
Reported At	09/28/25 02:43
Incident Date	09/28/25 02:43
Incident Code	S1 : Intoxicated Driver
Location	1ST ST / PALM AVE, KEY WEST, FL 33040
Zone	Zone 1
Beat	B4
Disposition	4. Cleared as Arrest
Disposition Date/Time	09/28/25 06:25
Review for Gang Activity	None

Offense Information

Offense	DUI ALCOHOL OR DRUGS
Statute	316.193-1
NIBRS Code	
Counts	1
Offense Details	Completed
Date	9/28/25
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

Offense	RESIST / OBSTRUCT OFFICER W/O VIOLENCE
Statute	843.02
NIBRS Code	90Z - All Other Offenses
Counts	1
Offense Details	Completed
Date	9/28/25
Include In NIBRS	Yes
Completed	Yes
Bias Motivation	None (no bias)
Location	Highway/Road/Alley/Street/Sidewalk
Entry Forced	No

Arrestee

MYER, SAMUEL KEITH

Male, DOB 11/23/99

27124 PATRIOT DR
SALISBURY, MD 21801

(410) 726-4595 Cell

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VIOLENCE - Completed

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Victim

FLORIDA, STATE OF

Unknown, DOB 3/3/1845

FL

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Witness

RANKICH, GABRIELLE ELYSA

Female, DOB 3/2/99

316.193-1 - DUI ALCOHOL OR DRUGS - Completed

Vehicles

7FP0130 MD - (Accident, Arrest)

2016 Ford Explorer

Owner SAMUEL KEITH MYER

DM17UB FL - (Accident)

2025 Grey Ford

Original Narrative By Esteban Andrade, 09/28/25 06:18

On Saturday, September 28, 2025, at approximately 0243 hours, I (Ofc Andrade) was traveling south on Palm Ave. As I was approaching the traffic light, I saw that the traffic was backed up to turn left (E) onto N Roosevelt Blvd. I merged into the lane to the right and drove forward. Upon approaching the intersection, I saw a vehicle stopped at the head of the backed-up traffic with its driver door opened (a 2025 gray in color Ford Bronco bearing FL tag DM17UB. Next to it was another vehicle that was making contact with the opened door while slowly driving forward (a 2016 beige in color Ford Explorer bearing MD tag of 7FP0130). The Explorer continued forward, pushing the opened door backward as it went. I initiated my emergency lights.

When the Explorer disengaged from the open door, it continued driving forward crossing N Roosevelt Blvd. I proceeded behind the Explorer and initiated my sirens. The Explorer continued driving and finally came to a stop on the corner of 1st St and Vivian St. The Bronco followed and pulled behind me, several feet away.

I walked to the Explorer and immediately noticed that the driver's eyes were bloodshot, droopy, and glassy (later identified as Samuel Keith Myer, DOB 11/23/199, via his MD DL). I told Samuel that another officer would be arriving

on scene and to get his driver's license, registration and insurance and have it ready. Samuel asked me a question regarding his registration. I immediately became aware of the strong odor of alcohol as he spoke.

Ofc Vanderhoof arrived on scene and began his crash investigation (see Ofc Vanderhoof's report for further details, case # 25004867). During of Vanderhoof's investigation, while speaking to Samuel who was still seated in the driver's seat of his Explorer, he called me over to him. I walked over and Ofc Vanderhoof told me that Samuel was refusing to exit the vehicle when told.

I ordered Samuel to get out of the vehicle and he did not. I then ordered Samuel to turn the vehicle off and he did not. Ofc Vanderhoof repeatedly told Samuel to exit the vehicle, but Samuel would not comply. Ofc Vanderhoof informed Samuel that if he failed to obey his commands, he would be forcibly removed from the vehicle. Ofc Vanderhoof then again ordered Samuel out of the vehicle, and he did not comply. Ofc Vanderhoof opened Samuel's door and forcibly removed Samuel from the vehicle. Samuel was escorted to the pavement where Ofc Vanderhoof and I placed his arms behind his back and handcuffed him. I then performed a search of Samuel's person incident to arrest, then placed him in the backseat of my patrol car.

Samuel did not suffer any injuries from being removed from the vehicle. Samuel was later taken to Key West Police Headquarters, 1604 N Roosevelt Blvd, to meet with Sgt Waite regarding being removed from his vehicle. Samuel stated he was uninjured when asked by Sgt Waite. Samuel did not have any visible marks as a result of being removed from the vehicle. Sgt Waite then photographed Samuel.

When Ofc Vanderhoof was finished with his crash investigation I went and spoke to the driver of the Bronco (later identified as Gabrielle Elysa Rankich, DOB 03/02/1999 via her FL ID) who told me the following:

She was on Palm Ave facing south, in the left turn lane. In front of her were several cars but they were not moving. Gabrielle then saw vehicles in front of her going around a vehicle (the Explorer) that was stopped near the front of the left turning lane. When she got next to the Explorer, she saw Samuel slumped over his steering wheel. Concerned, Gabrielle exited her vehicle and walked to the driver's side of the Explorer, leaving the door to her Bronco open. Gabrielle then pounded on Samuel's driver's side window for approximately ten seconds, but Samuel was unresponsive. Other people came to Samuel's door and opened it. Samuel then sat up. The people said they were calling the police which made Samuel become alert. Samuel then began to drive forward.

Ofc Vanderhoof then told Samuel he was finished with his crash investigation and showed him a Driver's Exchange Form. I then told Samuel I was beginning a DUI investigation and read him his Miranda Rights form a prepared card, as is customary for me. Samuel said he understood his rights and expressed that he did not wish to speak to me.

At this point is when I took Samuel to see Sgt Waite as mentioned prior. Once done with Sgt Waite I transported Samuel to the Monroe County Detention Center (MCDC) for processing.

Ofc Vanderhoof remained on scene and facilitated the towing of Samuel's vehicle.

I am a certified Breath Test Operator in the State of Florida and do possess a valid, in date, permit to administer such test. The instrument used is the Intoxilyzer 8000 S/N 80-007167. I began the twenty (20) minute observation period at 0329 hours. During the required 20-minute observation, Samuel did not take anything orally, did not regurgitate or touch his mouth. After the 20-minute observation I requested Samuel to consent to a lawful test of his breath, and he did.

At approximately 0427 hours Samuel provided a breath sample of .215 g/210L.

At approximately 0430 hours Samuel provided a breath sample of .214 g/210L.

Samuel was issued the following UNIFORM CRIMINAL CITATION: ALXL1QE (Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol or Drugs).

Samuel was assigned a court date on October 09, 2025, with Judge Kelly, 9:00 am, at the Key West Courthouse. Samuel signed his criminal citation, and the Correction Deputy placed the citation inside his property bag.

Based on the facts and evidence, I believe there is probable cause that on 09/28/2025 Samuel Keith Myer did knowingly and intentionally violate F.S.S. 316-193-1 Driving Under the Influence, by driving a vehicle while in the state of Florida while having a breath-alcohol level of 0.214 grams of alcohol per 210 liters of breath.

Based on the facts and evidence, I believe there is probable cause that on 09/28/2025 Samuel Keith Myer did knowingly and intentionally violate F.S.S. 843.02 Resist Officer Without Violence, by failing to exit his vehicle when ordered to do so by Ofc Vanderhoof, a uniformed Key West Police Officer, in the execution of his legal duties.

This incident was recorded with my BWC and later submitted to Evidence.com.