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DUI Suspect Damages Police Vehicle During Arrest

On August 31, 2008, Ocean City Police stopped a pick-up truck after it was observed being driven erratically. The driver was identified as Joseph Scott Weker, (47) years old of Ocean City, Maryland.

During the traffic stop, OCPD Officer (PFC Patrick Flynn) observed Weker, and based on these observations suspected Weker might be intoxicated. During the stop, Weker refused to take any standardized field sobriety tests and became extremely uncooperative. When Officers attempted to arrest Weker, he became combative and resisted by refusing to exit his vehicle. Officers eventually placed Weker under arrest and placed him in an OCPD car for transport to the Public Safety Building.

After being placed in the police vehicle, Weker was able to kick the rear passenger window of the police car which resulted in the window and door frame of the police car being damaged.

Weker was eventually transported to the Ocean City Public Safety Building, where a breath test was administered, resulting in .19 grams of alcohol per 210 liters of breath.

Weker has been charged with:

- Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol (TA 21-902a1)
- Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol per se (TA 21-902a2)
- Driving While Impaired by Alcohol (TA 21-902b1)
- Fail to Display Registration Card on Demand (TA 13-409b)
- Exceed Maximum Speed (TA 21-801.1)
- Driver Failure to Obey Designated Lane Directions (TA 21-309d)
- Malicious Destruction of Property: Greater than \$500 (CR- 6-301)
- Resist Arrest (CR 9-408b)

Weker appeared before an Ocean City District Court Commissioner and was released on his own recognizance.

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