

Prior offense notice filed against man in new case

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? Among a number of charges filed against a Jeffersonville man in Scott Circuit Court was a Notice of Prior Offense.

Brice A. Wilson, 28, is charged with carrying a handgun without a license, receiving stolen property, possession of a controlled substance, attempted residential entry, possession of marijuana and public intoxication. The handgun offense is a Class C felony. Counts 2 to 4 are all Class D felonies. The marijuana and intoxication charges are misdemeanor offenses.

The case developed against Wilson when Austin Patrolman Shawn Hurt was dispatched to an apartment in Village Court on January 22. Dispatchers had been told by a woman that her ex-boyfriend was attempting to break in.

The officer talked to Wilson's companions, Wilson's brother and the brother's girlfriend, and they told him that Wilson had been residing with them for about a week. The couple said that Wilson had wanted to "go riding around," the girlfriend saying she did not know that Wilson was going to his ex-girlfriend's apartment.

Joined by Sheriff's Deputy Joe Johnson and Reserve Deputy Mike Tscheulin, Ptl. Hurt placed Wilson under arrest. A search of his person reportedly revealed a tube filled with what was identified as Lortabs, a Schedule 3 controlled substance. Deputy Johnson also noted Wilson was wearing a holster. A Kel-Tec 9 mm handgun was found by Res. Deputy Tscheulin under the car in which the brothers and girlfriend had arrived. Beer was seen in the car by the officers, the probable cause affidavit indicated.

Wilson's previous criminal history resulted in County Prosecutor Jason Mount filing a Notice of Prior Offense. His past convictions include charges of resisting law enforcement, forgery, handgun violation, carrying a handgun without a license and burglary dating from 1999 to 2007. The notice could increase any sentence Wilson may receive from the new charges filed against him.

In his initial court appearance on January 26, Wilson pleaded not guilty to the offenses. Bail was fixed at \$75,000 corporate surety or full cash, and a trial date of June 2 was scheduled.

Wilson will be represented by a public defender.

As of February 6, Wilson was listed as a resident at the Scott County Security Center in Scottsburg.