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## Athens County Grand Jury Indicts Glouster Man on Assault and Gun Charges Police fired on during chase in Glouster Community

An Athens County Grand Jury today returned indictments against Mr. Mathew W, Arno, II, 27, of Glouster, on 7 counts including two (2) F1 counts of Felonious Assault, both with Firearms Specifications; one (1) F3 count of Discharge of a Firearm On or Near Prohibited Premises; one (1) F3 count of Having Weapons While Under Disability; one (1) F5 count of Inducing Panic; one (1) F4 count of Receiving Stolen Property; and one (1) F1 count of Aggravated Robbery, with a Firearm Specification.

The charges stem from an incident which began on Summit Street in Glouster when police offers were attempting to execute an arrest warrant for Mr. Arno for failure to appear in court. Mr. Arno is alleged to have fled police officers while holding a weapon. During the incident, Arno was reported to have fired his gun at police officers. Arno subsequently barricaded himself into a house on Republic Avenue in Glouster. Mr. Arno initially refused to vacate the house, but was eventually convinced to give himself up by Lieutenant Maynard of the Athens County Sheriff's Department Special Response Team.

Arno is being held at the Southeast Ohio Regional Jail on a \$250,000 bond. He is scheduled for arraignment on October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:30 a.m. in Athens County Common Pleas Court.

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