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Mecklenburg County Detention Center Officer Injured by Resident

(CHARLOTTE, NC)-On Friday, June 25, 2021, a Mecklenburg County Detention Center Officer suffered minor injuries during an incident with 42-year old James Holmes (PID# 493094), a resident housed at the Mecklenburg County Detention Center – Central.

At approximately 8:49 p.m., Detention Officer A. Turnage was cut with a "homemade weapon" and bitten by resident Holmes, during a medication pass. Officer Turnage was transported to Presbyterian Hospital to receive treatment. At no point were Officer Turnage's injuries life-threatening. Officer Turnage suffered minor injuries and was released from the hospital to continue care at home.

"I have been in constant contact with Officer Turnage and she is in good spirits," says Sheriff Garry L McFadden. "I was at the hospital when she was released. As Sheriff, the safety of our detention professionals and residents is always a concern. The MCSO Investigative Unit will thoroughly investigate the incident to determine whether any criminal charges will be filed."