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Case Update: MCSO Deputies Searching for Suspect after Assault at Mecklenburg County Courthouse

(CHARLOTTE, NC 5/18/22)-The Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office announced Wednesday, May 18, 2022, the suspect involved in an assault at the Mecklenburg County Courthouse has been arrested and is in custody at the Mecklenburg County Detention Center - Central. On Tuesday, May 17, 2022 while preparing to actively search and apprehend Devante Johnson, deputies were notified that Mr. Johnson was being evaluated at the University Atrium Hospital. At approximately 8:15 p.m., Tuesday, May 17, 2022, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police officers arrested Devante Johnson (PID # 430293) and transported him to Mecklenburg County Arrest Processing.

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(CHARLOTTE, NC 5/17/22)-The Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office is investigating an assault at the Mecklenburg County Courthouse. At approximately 12:18 p.m., Tuesday, May 17, 2022, MCSO deputies received a call regarding an assault on the 8th floor. Deputies immediately secured the building and began searching for the suspect.

The female victim stated the male suspect knocked on the door of her Area of Mental Health office, she opened the door, recognized the suspect, and once inside the room the suspect assaulted her, hitting her in the head. The suspect then ran out of the office and the courthouse. The victim suffered bruising and swelling to her face and was treated onsite by MEDIC.

The suspect has been identified as 24-year-old Devonte Johnson and is a registered sex offender. He was last seen wearing a grey shirt with an orange Adidas logo, grey pants, and a black backpack. The suspect was not scheduled for an appointment at the courthouse at the time of the incident. MCSO has issued warrants for assault on a female and aggravated assault for the suspect and the investigation is ongoing.

Sheriff McFadden said, "It is very unfortunate that this happened, I am always grateful for the professionalism and response of our deputies. Now our focus is on apprehending this suspect to prevent this from occurring again."

Anyone who sees the suspect should contact Charlotte Crimestoppers 704-334-1600.

Photo of the suspect:

