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Arrest made for Attempted Capital Murder of a Law Enforcement Officer

On March 20, 2018 at 12:30 am, a Colonial Heights Police Officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle that was impeding traffic on the Boulevard. While speaking with the driver, the officer noticed narcotic paraphernalia in the vehicle and the driver was asked to step out. The driver refused, put his vehicle in reverse and struck a police patrol car that was positioned behind him. The driver then drove towards one of the officers, who was forced to jump out of the way to avoid being struck. A vehicle pursuit ensued, which ended after a short foot pursuit in the City of Petersburg, where the driver was taken into custody without further incident.

The driver, Rodriguez J. Jefferson, 25 years of age, of the 1900 block of Bedford Street Petersburg, has been charged with Attempted Capital Murder of a Law Enforcement Officer, Possession with the Intent to Sell Marijuana, Felony Eluding, Felony Hit and Run, and Impeding Traffic. Jefferson is being held without bond at Riverside Regional Jail pending his next court date on May 30, 2018 in Colonial Heights General District Court.



Rodriguez J. Jefferson
25 years of age
Resident of Petersburg