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Man Charged with Grand Larceny, Unlawful Fleeing and More after Stealing Uber in Town of Dickinson and City of Binghamton

(TOWN OF DICKINSON, NY) A man from the Rochester area is facing four felony charges, two misdemeanor charges and 20 traffic violations after stealing an Uber, fleeing police and fighting with officers in the Town of Dickinson and the City of Binghamton.

On Sunday, March 10, 2024 at approximately 4:40 PM, Broome County Sheriff's Office patrols responded to a report of a vehicle theft at Helio Health on Glenwood Road in the Town of Dickinson.

Stolen Vehicle

Jeffrey C. Lane, age 35 of the Rochester area, was in the parking lot of Helio Health and awaiting EMS arrival when he became impatient and called for a taxi. Around the same time, an Uber driver arrived to drop off a passenger. Jeffrey then punched the Uber driver in the face, dragged him out of his red Honda Civic and fled the scene in the stolen vehicle.

Pursuit by Law Enforcement

A short time later, Patrols located a vehicle matching the above description on Clinton Street in the City of Binghamton, where it had been pulled to the side of the road with the driver appeared to be talking with a pedestrian on the sidewalk. The responding deputy activated his emergency lights, exited his patrol vehicle and as he approached, the vehicle sped off.

The vehicle fled east on Clinton Street, driving recklessly at a high rate of speed. Patrols initiated a pursuit as the vehicle barreled through multiple intersections and red lights at Front Street and Lewis Street. The driver attempted to turn onto State Street, but lost control, struck a curb and drove onto the sidewalk. Before the vehicle had come to a stop, Lane exited the vehicle and attempted to flee on foot. Lane ignored the responding deputy's verbal commands, but after

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a brief physical struggle, he was successfully taken into custody.

EMS and Hospital Requests and Refusals

While in the back of the patrol car, Lane stated he was feeling sick and agreed to be evaluated by EMS. When EMS arrived, Lane requested suboxone strips. After EMS informed him that suboxone could only be prescribed by a doctor, Lane refused any EMS assistance and requested to go to Binghamton General Hospital. Broome Sheriff's Deputies then transported Lane to Binghamton General Hospital, but shortly after arriving, Lane stated he didn't want any medical assistance.

Fighting with Deputies while in Custody

Deputies then transported Lane to BCSO Highway Patrol and placed him in a holding cell. Shortly after entering the holding cell, Lane began acting aggressively and repeatedly kicking the cell door.

Deputies opened Lane's cell to safely secure him, at which point Lane advanced towards them aggressively with fists raised. Lane was swiftly escorted to the ground in his holding cell and secured in handcuffs to a bench until he was taken to Central Arraignment without incident.

Following the investigation, Jeffrey C. Lane was charged with:

- Robbery in the 2nd Degree (Motor Vehicle), a Class C Felony
- Grand Larceny in the 3rd Degree (Exceeds \$3,000), a Class D Felony
- Reckless Endangerment in the 1st Degree, a Class D Felony
- Criminal Possession of Stolen Property (Exceeds \$3,000) in the 3rd Degree, a Class D Felony
- Unlawful Fleeing a Police Officer in a Motor Vehicle in the 3rd Degree, a Class A Misdemeanor
- Resisting Arrest, a Class a Misdemeanor
- 20 Traffic Violations related to the pursuit.

Due to the incidents taking place in several locations, some charges were issued in the Town of Dickinson and others in the City of Binghamton. Lane was arraigned in both Central Arraignment Part in the Town of Dickinson and in Binghamton City Court and remains in custody.

New York State Police and City of Binghamton Police assisted in this investigation.

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