

# Mendocino County Sheriff's Office

## Press Release

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**Report Number:** 2016-4604

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**Location:** 24000 Block of Birch Circle, Willits

**When: Date:** 02/12/2016 **Time:** 6:00 PM

**Victim Info :**

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Street Address</b>	<b>City, State</b>
<b>Victim #1:</b>	Adult Female	21 years		Willits, CA

**Suspect Info:**

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Street Address</b>	<b>City, State</b>
<b>Suspect #1:</b>	Jedidiah William Jones	36 years		Willits, CA

**Written by:** Lieutenant Shannon Barney

**Synopsis:** On 2/13/2016 around 08:45 AM Deputies responded to the 24000 Block of Birch Circle in Willits in regards to a sexual assault call. Upon their arrival they contacted the 21 year old victim who reported the suspect assaulted her, against her will, over an approximate 5 hour time frame the previous evening, in her home. The victim indicated the suspect was an acquaintance who was visiting her residence. The victim stated the suspect made threats towards her and her family while committing numerous sexual assaults against her. The suspect left the location upon the arrival of another member of the victim's family.

The Mendocino County Sheriff's Detective Unit conducted the investigation and interviewed the victim and witnesses. They ultimately identified and located the suspect, Jedidiah Jones, a 36 year old male also from the Willits area. At the time of the assault the suspect was on felony probation for cultivation of marijuana with the Mendocino County Probation Department. He was subsequently arrested and charged with the above listed violations.

Jones was booked into the Mendocino County Jail and he is being held on a "No Bail" status.

Anyone with information related to this case is encouraged to contact the Mendocino County Detectives Division via the Mendocino County Tip Line at 707-234-2100.

**Approved By:** Lieutenant Shannon Barney

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