



BURKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Sheriff Banks Hinceman
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION
PRESS RELEASE

Name: MICHAEL EDWARD MONN
DOB: 06/01/1992 **Age:** 31
Race: White **Sex:** Male
Address: 4811 Foresthaven Road, Morganton
Charges: F – OFA for Failure to Appear (5 Counts)
M – Simple Assault
F - Possession of Schedule II (Fentanyl)
M – Trespass on R.R. Right of Way
Bond: \$156,000 - Secured
Court Date: District: 10/30/2023 & 11/27/2023
Superior: 11/13/2023



Details:

On October 25, 2023, the Burke County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations/Narcotics Division were conducting an undercover operation in the Connelly Springs community in an attempt to apprehend Michael Edward Monn who had multiple outstanding felony orders for arrest.

At approximately 3:38 p.m., Investigators conducting surveillance observed Monn operating a motor vehicle on Old NC 10 near US Hwy 70. As Monn turned into Gordon's Metal Recycling Center, investigators attempted to initiate a traffic stop. Monn immediately evaded investigators' attempts to conduct the stop and exited the recycling center, ignoring blue lights and sirens. Monn traveled down Hwy 70 and turned onto Old 70 Loop and then immediately onto Berea Church Rd., where he abruptly stopped the vehicle on the railroad right of way.

Monn exited the driver's door and fled on foot, leaving the vehicle and passenger parked on the railroad tracks at the crossing. Investigators pursued Monn and, after a short foot pursuit through the nearby wooded area, Monn was apprehended. A search of Monn's person revealed a small, clear plastic bag containing a white powdery substance that presumptively tested positive for Fentanyl. Several investigators involved in the pursuit did sustain minor injuries, leading to the request of Lovelady Fire Department first responders and Burke County EMS. The investigators were evaluated on scene and transported by EMS to a local hospital as a precaution. All officers were treated and released soon after.

Monn also suffered minor injuries and was evaluated on scene and cleared by first responders. Monn was transported to the Magistrate's Office and served with his outstanding warrants and orders for arrest and received a total secured bond of \$125,000.00. Charges for Felony Possession of Schedule II (Fentanyl) and (M) Trespass on Railroad Right of Way were later issued.

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Prior to this incident Monn failed to appear in Burke County Superior Court on Monday, October 23, 2023, and was slated for trial on the Burke County Superior Court Trial Callendar on that date.

As a result of Monn's failure to appear, orders for arrest, and bond forfeitures were issued by the presiding judge, and new bonds were set. The following charges represent the new bonds that Monn is currently under:

FTA on (F) Larceny - \$10,000 secured

FTA on (F) Possession of Methamphetamine - \$20,000 secured

FTA on (F) Larceny - \$20,000 secured

FTA on (F) Possession of a Firearm by Convicted Felon - \$25,000 secured

FTA on (F) Traffic in Methamphetamine - \$50,000 secured

The aforementioned charges were alleged to have occurred between 2021 and 2022, in addition to other charges currently under investigation in 2023.

Michael Monn's current total bond is \$156,000 secured.

Agencies Involved:

Burke County Sheriff's Office

Burke County EMS

Lovelady Fire Department

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