

# Massachusetts State Police Troopers arrest man with gun, narcotics

On Thursday January 14, Trooper Ali Jaafar was on patrol in Taunton assigned to State Police-Middleboro. While traveling on Cohannet Street in the area of Route 44 Trooper Jaafar observed a Cadillac SUV travel over the double yellow lane markings into the oncoming lane. Trooper Jaafar proceeded to catch up to the vehicle before it quickly turned into the parking lot of a business then parked.

Trooper Jaafar activated the cruiser's blue lights then approached the Cadillac to speak with the operator along with two other occupants seated inside. Prior to approaching the Cadillac Trooper Jaafar observed a fourth occupant, later identified as CAMERON FOWLER, 22, of Boston, enter the business and remain inside for more than 10 minutes.



*Massachusetts State Police photo.*

After subsequent investigation on scene Trooper Jaafar built probable cause and gained permission to search the vehicle. A backpack and duffle bag were located containing over \$12,000

in cash along with a large amount of marijuana and other items containing THC compounds. Trooper Jaafar also located a loaded Glock 43 pistol with the serial number completely vandalized and defaced inside one of the bags. During the interaction and search of the vehicle FOWLER exited the store and was questioned by Troopers. It was determined through questioning that the bags belonged to FOWLER, who does not possess a license to carry firearms. He was placed under arrest and escorted to a cruiser.

The operator of the Cadillac was issued a written citation for the motor vehicle offenses and permitted to leave the scene with the other two occupants. FOWLER was transported to the Middleboro Barracks for booking. A bail commissioner was contacted and set bail at \$1000. He was scheduled for arraignment at Taunton District Court on the following offenses:

1. Illegal Possession of a Firearm;
2. Carrying a Loaded Firearm;
3. Possession of a Firearm with Defaced Serial Number;
4. Possession of Firearm without FID Card;
5. Possession of Ammunition without FID Card; and
6. Possession of a Class D Substance with Intent to Distribute.

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## **Dartmouth Police Department warns locals about XFinity scam going around**

“SCAMBAG ALERT – PLEASE SHARE

I was recently made aware of the following Xfinity scam:

The scammer pretends to be calling from Xfinity and tells you that you are owed a refund. In order for them to give you the refund, you need to log into online banking. The scammer then remotes into your computer and transfers money from one of your accounts to another. The scammer tells you that they have processed the refund but gave you too much. They then ask you to send the excess back to them in gift cards or by a wire transfer.

**Safety precautions:**

- If you are eligible for a refund from any company, the company should not need access to your online/mobile banking. Do not log in because someone identifying themselves as a company representative asks you to.
- Never provide or confirm any financial details to a caller that you're not familiar with. If you're not sure, hang up, and look up the company's 800 number to call back.
- Don't give out personal information, such as your email address, phone number, online banking username, PIN, or debit card number.
- Don't respond "Yes" within a text unless the information is actually accurate. If you are told via text to respond "Yes" because they're testing the fraud system, do not continue the conversation.

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**Massachusetts residents  
charged in Capitol breach;**

# FBI seek's public's help in identifying others

A Massachusetts man and woman were arrested today and charged in connection with unlawfully entering the Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021.

Mark Sahady, 46, of Malden, Mass. and Suzanne Ianni, 59, of Natick, Mass., were each charged by criminal complaint with one count of entering or remaining in a restricted building or grounds without lawful authority and one count of disorderly conduct on Capitol grounds. Sahady and Ianni will make their initial appearances in U.S. District Court in Boston this afternoon.

According to the criminal complaint, Sahady is the vice president of an organization called "Super Happy Fun America," which allegedly purports to advocate for the "straight community." Beginning on approximately Nov. 16, 2020, Sahady tweeted statements exhibiting a belief that the presidential election was stolen, and that people need to gather in D.C. on January 6, 2021 to respond. Photos posted on a Twitter account connected to Super Happy Fun America show Sahady on a bus with other individuals with the caption, "Bus 1 of 11 coming to Washington DC. See you there!"

According to the criminal complaint, Ianni is also involved with "Super Happy Fun America." The complaint alleges that Ianni organized buses for Super Fun Happy America to transport individuals to Washington D.C. for the January 6, 2021 event. Ianni is pictured alongside Sahady in the bus photo on Twitter. Following the Capitol breach, the public and media posted photos and identified people who were at the riot and entered the Capitol. Photographs show Sahady and Ianni standing next to each other inside the U.S. Capitol during the breach.

The information contained in the charging documents are merely allegations. The defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

Information on charges regarding violence at the Capitol, including defendants' names, charges, case status, and court case numbers, is available at <https://www.justice.gov/opa/investigations-regarding-violence-capitol>.

The charge of entering or remaining in a restricted building or grounds without lawful authority provides for a sentence of up to one year in prison, one year of supervised release and a fine of up to \$100,000. The charge of disorderly conduct on Capitol grounds provides for a sentence of up to six months in prison, one year of supervised release and a fine of up to \$5,000. Sentences are imposed by a federal district court judge based upon the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and other statutory factors.

These cases are being prosecuted by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia and the Counterterrorism Section of the DOJ's National Security Division, with assistance from the U.S. Attorney's Office of Massachusetts.

The case are being investigated by the FBI's Washington Field Office with assistance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Boston Field Division.

The ATF and FBI continue to urge the public to report suspected use of explosive devices, or violent, destructive acts associated with the recent unrest. Anyone with information can call 1-888-ATF-TIPS (1-888-283-8477), email [ATFTips@atf.gov](mailto:ATFTips@atf.gov) or submit information anonymously via [ReportIt.com](https://www.reportit.com).

The FBI is looking for individuals who may have incited or promoted violence of any kind. Anyone with digital material or tips can call 1-800-CALL-FBI (800-225-5324) or submit images

or videos at [fbi.gov/USCapitol](https://fbi.gov/USCapitol).

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## **New Bedford Member of the Latin Kings Sentenced for Being a Felon in Possession of a Firearm**

A member of the New Bedford Chapter of the Almighty Latin King and Queen Nation was sentenced today for being a felon in possession of a firearm as a result of a federal investigation into a shooting on April 19, 2020, in New Bedford.

Alexander Pizarro, a/k/a “King Tego,” 28, was sentenced by U.S. Senior District Court Judge Douglas P. Woodlock to 42 months in prison and three years of supervised release. In September 2020, Pizarro pleaded guilty to one count of being a felon in possession of a firearm.

On April 19, 2020, police responded to a report of seven shots fired near a residence on Clark Street in New Bedford. During the response, police located a tan and black Taurus 9mm firearm in an alleyway near the residence. Based on information received from a 911 caller, police were directed to an apartment and located Pizarro. After searching his cell phone, investigators located a photograph of Pizarro in the apartment holding what appeared to be the same firearm that was recovered from Clark Street. This photograph was taken approximately two hours before the shots-fired incident. Through ballistics comparison, the seized firearm was matched to the recovered shell casings from the shooting that evening.



Due to multiple prior convictions, Pizarro is prohibited from possessing firearms. According to court documents, Pizarro was known to investigators to be a member of the New Bedford Chapter of the Latin Kings, and had recently posted multiple pictures holding firearms to his SnapChat account. At the time of the shooting incident, Pizarro was on probation for a 2017 firearms conviction in Rhode Island.

United States Attorney Andrew E. Lelling; Kelly D. Brady, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, New England Field Division; and New Bedford Police Chief Joseph C. Cordeiro made the announcement today. Assistant U.S. Attorney Philip A. Mallard of Lelling's Organized Crime and Gang Unit prosecuted the case.

This case is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN), a program bringing together all levels of law enforcement and the communities they serve to reduce violent crime and make our neighborhoods safer for everyone. Former Attorney General Sessions reinvigorated PSN in 2017 as part of the Department's renewed focus on targeting violent criminals, directing all U.S. Attorney's Offices to work in partnership with federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement and the local community to develop effective, locally-based strategies to reduce violent crime.

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## **Boston Police Department seeks public's help in hit and run with resulting in**



# **serious bodily injury**

“BPD Community Alert: Investigators Seeking the Public’s Help in Efforts to Locate Motor Vehicle Wanted in Connection to Leaving the Scene of an Accident in Dorchester:

BPD Community Alert: Boston Police Detectives are seeking the public’s help to locate the above-pictured motor vehicle in connection to an ongoing investigation into a hit and run which resulted in serious bodily injury. The incident occurred at about 5:18 PM on Sunday January 3, 2021, in the area of 618 Blue Hill Avenue in Dorchester.

The vehicle is believed to be a blue 2019 or 2020 Hyundai Elantra and was last seen traveling on Harvard Street towards Morton Street. The vehicle sustained serious damage to the front driver’s side windshield and possibly the front hood and roofline during this incident.

The Boston Police Department is actively investigating the facts and circumstances surrounding this incident. Anyone with information relative to the vehicle pictured is asked to contact BPD Homicide Detectives at (617) 343-4470.

Community members wishing to assist this investigation anonymously can do so by calling the CrimeStoppers Tip Line at 1 (800) 494-TIPS or by texting the word ‘TIP’ to CRIME (27463). The Boston Police Department will stringently guard and protect the identities of all those who wish to help this investigation in an anonymous manner.”

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# Massachusetts man sentenced to 60 years for child exploitation offenses

A North Adams man was sentenced yesterday in federal court in Springfield to 60 years in prison today for child exploitation offenses.

Anthony Deordio, 46, was sentenced by U.S. District Court Judge Mark G. Mastroianni to 60 years in prison and a lifetime of supervised release. In August 2020, Deordio pleaded guilty to one count of sexual exploitation of a minor, three counts of advertising child pornography, two counts of distribution of child pornography, two counts of transportation of child pornography, one count of receipt of child pornography and one count of possession of child pornography.

In November 2017, Deordio used a minor victim to produce child pornography. The video file he produced was later recovered in a separate jurisdiction, and further investigation led to the identification of Deordio as the perpetrator. He was also convicted of offering to sell child pornography on the internet, distributing child pornography over the internet and receiving and possessing child pornography.

Deordio was previously convicted of possession of child pornography in Massachusetts state court in 2006.

United States Attorney Andrew E. Lelling; Joseph R. Bonavolonta, Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Boston Field Division; Colonel Christopher Mason, Superintendent of the Massachusetts State Police; and North Adams Police Chief Jason Wood made the announcement today. Assistant U.S. Attorney Alex J. Grant of Lelling's Springfield Branch Office.

The case is brought as part of Project Safe Childhood. In 2006, the Department of Justice created Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from exploitation and abuse. Led by the U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the DOJ's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit [www.projectsafechildhood.gov/](http://www.projectsafechildhood.gov/).

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## **Juvenile suspect wanted in connection to arson incident in Boston detained while attempting to board flight in New York City**

"On Friday January 15, 2021, Boston Police Detectives assigned to the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office traveled to a Juvenile Detention Center in New York to take custody of a juvenile male suspect who was wanted on an outstanding warrant stemming from the events which unfolded in Downtown Boston on May 31, 2020.

At the time of his detention, the suspect was attempting to board a one-way, international flight when authorities discovered the outstanding warrant which had been issued out of the Juvenile Division of Boston Municipal Court on charges of Delinquent to Wit: Arson of a Motor Vehicle and Inciting a

Riot.

The suspect had previously been placed in custody on Thursday June 11, 2020, by members of the BPD Fire Investigation Unit and the Framingham Police Department and was later released. The suspect is expected to be arraigned in Boston Juvenile Court.”

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## **Massachusetts Troopers arrest two, seize guns, ammo, and ballistic vest, following pursuit**

At 2:02 a.m. today, Trooper Thomas Shruhan from the State Police-Milton Barracks was on patrol on Route 28 in Milton when he observed a blue 2018 Mercedes-Benz sedan that drew his interest. The Mercedes was the subject of a prior “Be On the Lookout” bulletin after it fled the area of a shots fired call in Boston’s Mattapan district on Jan. 2.

Trooper Shruhan followed the suspect vehicle onto Route 24 southbound, where he was backed up by Troopers Joseph Connor and Aaron Richardson, and the Troopers attempted to initiate a high-risk felony stop. The Mercedes accelerated in an effort to evade the Troopers, abruptly exiting Route 24 onto Route 27, heading eastbound at a high rate of speed. At that point the active pursuit was terminated but Troopers followed in that direction.

While approaching the intersection of Route 27 and West Avenue, the suspect who was driving lost control of the

vehicle and crashed into a pole. Troopers and Brockton Police officers converged on the crashed vehicle and took two males into custody.

From the vehicle, Troopers recovered the following items:

01. A loaded polymer 9mm handgun with no serial number;
02. A loaded Kahr Arms 9mm handgun;
03. Two Kahr magazines;
04. One 33-round large capacity magazine;
05. 48 rounds of 9mm ammunition; and
06. A ballistic armor vest carrier (the vest into which ballistic plates are inserted).

Both occupants are charged with illegal possession of firearms, carrying loaded firearms, possession of a large capacity feeding device, and unlawful possession of ammunition. They are identified as:

JHOVANNI JACKSON, 21, of the Bronx, N.Y., the suspected driver; and

AQUAN A. HUDSON, 22, of Brocton, believed to be passenger.

The driver, JACKSON, is additionally charged with multiple motor vehicle offenses, use of body armor in a felony, resisting arrest, and refusing to identify himself to police. The passenger, HUDSON, was found to be the subject of two outstanding warrants and was additionally charged accordingly.

Both suspects were transported to Good Samaritan Hospital under MSP guard. HUDSON was treated and released, was booked at an MSP barracks, and was expected to be arraigned today in Brockton District Court. JACKSON remained hospitalized as of this writing and will be booked and arraigned upon his release from the hospital.

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# Several dealerships in Dartmouth to pay \$1 million in unemployment benefit scheme

Colonial Automotive Group, Inc. (Colonial) has agreed to pay \$1 million in penalties to settle claims that it took advantage of state unemployment benefits during the COVID-19 pandemic, Attorney General Maura Healey announced today. Following the state's mandated closure of car dealership showrooms during the public health crisis, the company encouraged furloughed employees to apply for benefits through the state Department of Unemployment Assistance (DUA), and then requested that those employees continue to work without pay.

"Colonial Automotive planned and carried out an illegal scheme to cheat our unemployment system and avoid paying its workers in order to maximize its profits during the COVID-19 crisis," AG Healey said. "This is a brazen attempt at exploiting workers and the state's unemployment system, and we will take action against those who defraud our state agencies and try to steal taxpayer dollars."

The assurance of discontinuance, filed Thursday in Suffolk Superior Court, settles allegations that Colonial violated the Massachusetts False Claims Act when it furloughed the majority of its sales employees at its 16 car dealerships throughout the state, encouraged them to apply for unemployment benefits, and then asked them to perform certain aspects of their jobs despite being furloughed and despite collecting state benefits from DUA. The AG's Office alleges the company directed its furloughed employees to perform various jobs including calling prospective sales leads, setting appointments with prospective

customers, delivering cars to customers, and finalizing sales, and it did not pay these employees' salaries for the work they performed during this period.

The AG's Office alleges that in the months following the state ordered closure of the dealership's showrooms, the company sold approximately 366 cars in April and approximately 455 cars in May that were attributed to employees who were on furlough and collecting unemployment benefits at the time of the sales.

Under the terms of the assurance of discontinuance, Colonial will pay \$1 million that will go to the state's general fund. The company will also enact policies and procedures to ensure that furloughed employees do not perform any functions related to their job or Colonial's business and, in any instance where furloughed employees do perform these duties, the company will compensate them in accordance with state employment regulations. Colonial is also required to amend any prior inaccuracies in its Employment and Wage Detail Reports filed with DUA.

Colonial's 16 car dealerships include Colonial Cadillac of Woburn, Colonial Chevrolet of Acton, Colonial South Chevrolet Dartmouth, Colonial West Chevrolet Fitchburg, Colonial Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram Hudson, Colonial South Jeep Dodge Ram Dartmouth, Colonial Ford of Plymouth, Colonial Ford of Marlborough, Colonial Honda of Dartmouth, North End Mazda of Lunenburg, Colonial Nissan of Medford, Cityside Subaru of Belmont, North End Subaru of Lunenburg, Colonial Volkswagen of Westborough, Colonial Volkswagen of Medford, and Wellesley Volkswagen.

During the public health crisis, AG Healey's Office has been focused on protecting the state, workers, and consumers from fraud related to the COVID-19 pandemic. In November, the AG's False Claims Division reached a \$550,000 agreement with a Maryland-based company for marketing and selling to the



Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority a product it falsely claimed was an effective hand sanitizer alternative to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

The Colonial matter was handled by Assistant Attorney General Sean Hildenbrandt of AG Healey's False Claims Division, with assistance from False Claims Division Chief Amy Crafts as well as the Program Integrity Unit of the DUA.

The False Claims Division was created by AG Healey in 2015 to safeguard public funds and promote integrity and accountability in public contracting. AG Healey urges anyone with information about suspected fraud or abuse relating to state or municipal contracts or funds to contact the False Claims Division's tip line at 617-963-2600

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## **Wareham Police Department is seeking the whereabouts of man who brandished firearm**

The Wareham Police Department is seeking the whereabouts of Hector Flores (20), of no certain address. Detectives of the Wareham Police Department obtained a warrant for his arrest, for assault by means of a dangerous weapon.

The warrant stems from an incident at the Atlantic Motel on January 13th, where it is believed Flores brandished a firearm during a dispute. Flores is a thin build male possibly with a cast on his right forearm.

Flores should be considered armed and dangerous. If you have any information as to the location of Flores please contact

the Wareham Police Department.