Massachusetts State Trooper Helps Deliver Baby in Somerville

At approximately 7:15 a.m. yesterday the State Police Barracks in Medford were notified that a woman had gone into labor in a vehicle that was pulled over on McGrath Highway at Puritan Road in Somerville.

Trooper Karl Johnson, who was on his way to court, was the closest Trooper to the vehicle and rushed to the scene. When he arrived the baby was beginning to crown.

Without hesitation, Trooper Johnson assisted the mother in delivery of a baby girl. Trooper Johnson then cleared the baby's airway and monitored her condition until Cataldo EMS paramedics Cristine Janiak and Sean Byron arrived on scene and took over the baby's care. The baby and her mother and father were transported to Massachusetts General Hospital. Both baby and mother were reported to be doing well.