

Massachusetts State Troopers Arrest Man Trafficking Cocaine

esterday at approximately 1:15 p.m. Trooper Stephen Hazelton, assigned to State Police-Milton, was patrolling Blue Hill River Road in Milton. As he approached Hillside Street he conducted a random RMV inquiry on a red Dodge Charger traveling in front of him. The results of the inquiry revealed the registration was revoked, prompting Trooper Hazelton to initiate a motor vehicle stop.

Once the vehicle came to a stop, Trooper Hazelton approached the passenger side and informed the operator why he was stopped. After conversing with him for some time the operator provided Trooper Hazelton with his information verbally, however, the trooper suspected he was not being truthful. An inquiry of the name provided to Trooper Hazelton revealed it has been used in the past as an alias for a man with multiple firearms and narcotics charges. This name, CORNELIUS BELL, 39, of Boston, was discovered to be the true identity of the operator. An RMV search for BELL revealed his license was also revoked.

BELL was removed from the vehicle and placed under arrest. After a search of his person Trooper Hazelton located a large plastic bag containing 34 individual baggies, totaling 35 grams in weight, of suspected crack cocaine. BELL was transported to SP Milton where he was booked. A bail commissioner was contacted and placed a bail amount of \$100,000 on BELL. He was eventually transported to Quincy District Court where he was arraigned on the following charges:

1. Trafficking in Cocaine;

2. Operating a Motor Vehicle with a Revoked License;
3. Operating a Motor Vehicle with a Revoked Registration;
4. Motor Vehicle Operator Providing False Name to Police;
5. Operating a Motor Vehicle without Insurance; and
6. Operating a Motor Vehicle with License Not in Possession.