

FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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ATTEMPTED MURDER

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The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating an attempted murder that occurred on Wednesday, June 24, 2009 at 1617 Southeast 15th Street, #605. This incident took place at approximately 11:45 A.M.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that on June 24th, 2009 the culprits entered into the victim's condo allegedly attempting to retrieve property that was there. While they were inside, Robinson struck the 84-year-old victim in the head with a claw hammer. The second culprit held the victim's feet as Robinson struck the victim in the head with the hammer in excess of eight times. Robinson and Durinski then took the victim's cellular phone, checkbook, car keys, and watch. They also disabled his house phone prior to fleeing the area.

The victim was trauma alerted to Broward General Medical Center with severe head trauma and multiple lacerations. Later on that day, the suspects attempted to cash one of the victim's checks at a local bank, but were denied. However, they were able to treat themselves to a steak and lobster lunch using one of the victim's checks.

On June 25, 2009, detectives received information that Robinson called the victim's nurse and made additional threats to the victim's life. Detectives were able to locate the culprits at the Lauderhill Family Center. The detectives were able to recover the hammer at the family center. Both culprits spoke with detectives and implicated themselves in this crime. Robinson and Durinski have been charged with Attempted Murder and Armed Robbery. The victim's property was also recovered by detectives.

The victim has been identified as William Tubby, W/M, 01/16/1925. He is currently in stable condition under the care of a nurse's aide.

The first culprit has been identified as Dorothy Robinson, W/F, 07/24/1941, and a Lauderhill resident. The second culprit has been identified as Zarek Durinski, W/M, 02/14/1975, and a Lauderhill resident.

P.R.# 2009-057 OR# 09-69259 Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact Detective Jason Wood at 954-828-5344, Detective Darian Burkholder at 954-828-5101, or Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.



Dorothy Robinson



Zarek Durinski

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