

PRESS RELEASE

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Location of Arrest: Residence in Harper Creek Subdivision

In the process of arresting Walter Melton, Black Male, 36 yrs. of age on two counts of Burglary 3, investigators noticed a large amount of what appeared to be stolen items that may be related to the Burglaries he is charged with as well as Burglaries in adjoin jurisdictions. Investigators secured the scene and with consent of the owner began cataloging and confiscating the items. The items, TV's, Stereo's, paintings, pressure washers, collectible coins, children's video games, and much more will be cross referenced with ongoing burglary investigations in Tuscaloosa, Pickens and Greene Co's as well as other counties in West Alabama to see if these items are the proceeds of those thefts. This is an ongoing investigation that likely will last weeks if not months.

UPDATE: January 15, 2010

Melton has been released from the Tuscaloosa Co. Jail on \$30,000 bond and is currently in the Pickens Co. Jail.

UPDATE: If you believe you have been a victim of any of the Burglaries or Thefts committed by Walter Melton contact the law enforcement agency that originally took your report and have them contact the Tuscaloosa Co. Sheriff's office Criminal Investigations Division- 205-752-0616