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## News Release

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Over the past month, the Winnebago County Sheriff's Police received information from the community regarding a subject dealing narcotics in the Rockford area. During this investigation, Sheriff's Police identified Ladarius Richards as the suspect. Richards was also found to be wanted on several arrest warrants.

On Wednesday, February 9, 2022, the Winnebago County Sheriff's Police Narcotics Unit conducted an investigation into Ladarius Richards. During this investigation Richards was taken onto custody in the 2300 block of School St and found to be in possession of over 140 grams of Cocaine, Ecstasy and Marijuana as well as United States Currency.

The Winnebago County State's Attorney's Office reviewed the facts of this case and authorized the following charges:

**Lardarius R. Richards (DOB: 07/09/1988) of Rockford, IL**

1 count of possession with intent to deliver 100-400 grams of Cocaine. Class X Felony

1 count of Possession of a controlled Substance (MDMA)

Class 4 Felony

3 arrest warrants for various charges (Aggravated DUI, Aggravated Fleeing, Aggravated Battery to Police). Each warrant had a separate bond of \$100,000.00

The charges against Lardarius Richards are merely accusations and he is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.