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Rockford Man Arrested For Possession of Narcotics and Weapons

Over the past month, the Winnebago County Sheriff's Police received tips from the community regarding a subject dealing narcotics in the Rockford area. During this investigation, Sheriff's Police identified Juvenal Jaimes-Espinoza as a suspect.

On Monday, February 13th, 2023 the Winnebago County Sheriff's Police Narcotics Unit executed a search warrant in the 800 block of South Johnston Avenue, Rockford where Juvenal Jaimes-Espinoza was taken into custody. During the search, four loaded handguns and an AR-15 rifle were located. Three of those handguns had defaced serial numbers. Cocaine and cannabis were also recovered.

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

Juvenal Jaimes-Espinoza (DOB: 02/01/1976) of Rockford, IL

3 counts- possession of a firearm with defaced serial number

2 counts- possession of a firearm without a FOID

1 count- possession with intent to deliver more than 5,000 grams of cannabis

1 count- possession of cocaine

The charges against Juvenal Jaimes-Espinoza are merely accusations and he is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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