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#### TWO ARRESTED AFTER STABBING AT CLEM JONES APARTMENT COMPLEX

ATHENS, TENNESSEE – June 10, 2019 – On June 9, 2019 at about 10:30pm, Athens Police Officers were enroute to a call for service in the Clem Jones Apartment complex when they were approached by two individuals, a male named Dylan Carter and a female named Whitney Scruggs. Mr. Carter was bleeding from his left arm and was attempting to stop the bleeding with a towel. He advised that he had been stabbed. Mr. Carter and Ms. Scruggs provided names and descriptions of two individuals they claimed had stabbed Mr. Carter.

While additional officers searched for those individuals, other officers provided aid to Mr. Carter until Emergency Medical Services arrived on scene and eventually transported him to the hospital.

As a result of their investigation, officers eventually determined that it was in fact Ms. Scruggs who had stabbed Mr. Carter. The stabbing appears to have occurred in an apartment at the Clem Jones complex. The incident appeared to be the result of a fight they engaged in. It appears that their initial statement to officers regarding other suspects was fabricated.

Ms. Scruggs was transported to the McMinn County Jail on charges of Aggravated Assault and False Report. Mr. Carter, who was charged with Simple Assault and False Report, joined her there after being released from the Hospital.

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