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Criminal charges filed against 27-year-old man accused of kidnap, assault and rape

Today, Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill announced that on February 5, 2019 27-year-old Matthew Lee Fennern was charged with four counts of kidnaping in the first degree, two counts of assault in the second degree and one count of rape in the first degree.

Fennern was arrested at 8 p.m. on February 1, 2019 in the area of Southeast 103rd Street and Southeast Morrison Avenue in Portland, Oregon.

This investigation started on January 25, 2019 when Portland Police responded to the area of Southeast 93rd Avenue and Southeast Madison Street after learning that a man had approached a delivery driver and reported that he had been attacked.

According to the probable cause affidavit, law enforcement contacted the man who reported that he and his girlfriend were kidnapped, tied up and had duct tape placed over their mouths.

The man told police that he was stabbed in the throat. Both individuals reported that the female victim was raped. Fennern allegedly told the victims that if they called police, he would kill them, according to court documents.

Both victims described there being two male suspects and a female suspect.

Law enforcement learned that some of the alleged conduct, including the rape and assaults, occurred inside a tent that was located in the area of Southeast 93rd Avenue and Southeast Salmon Street, the affidavit states.

Both victims were able to escape the tent where the alleged kidnaping and assaults took place, according to court records.

A copy of the probable cause affidavit and charging document can be obtained using the Oregon eCourt Information (OECI) system under case number 19CR08419. The defendant's next court date is scheduled for February 13, 2019.

This case remains an ongoing criminal investigation and as such, no additional information can be released by the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office.

A charging document is only an accusation of a crime. The defendant is innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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