



## LANCASTER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

# NEWS RELEASE

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### Arrest made in 2007 Bar Robbery

At about 1:00 am, September 10th 2007, Lancaster City Police Officers were dispatched to Banzhof's Bar(formerly Joe Capp's), 917 S. Duke St, for a report of an armed robbery, which had just occurred. Upon arrival, Officers spoke to two female employees who related that they had just been robbed at gunpoint.

The two employees related that upon closing the business, they had exited the bar and were crossing the parking lot towards their vehicle when the suspect, who had been hiding behind a dumpster, confronted them with a handgun and demanded money. The suspect placed the handgun against the head of the one employee and obtained money from both of them.

The suspect then forced both employees back inside the bar, forced both women to lay on the floor, removed the video tape from the security camera, obtained additional money from inside and then fled.

On December 15th 2008 shortly before 9:40 pm, Officer David Rachor arrested the below subject, at the same bar, on an outstanding warrant for another Armed Robbery—This one having occurred at the Family Dollar Store, located in the same shopping plaza, at 923 S. Duke St, which occurred on November 15th 2008. This subject being....

Eric Mobley Poindexter, 35  
200 Blk Green St.  
Lancaster, Pa.

Poindexter was then arraigned on the Family Dollar Store Robbery, bail was set at \$30,000.00 and he was committed to Lancaster County Prison. The subject was later released on bail and as detectives from the City Police Violent Crimes Unit continued the investigation into both Robberies, it became apparent that they were connected. Poindexter was also identified by the witnesses as the person who committed the bar robbery in 2007. As a result, this morning, Det. Bill Breault charged Poindexter with Robbery before Magisterial District Judge Kelly Ballentine and a warrant was obtained for his arrest.

Shortly after 11:00 am today Det. Breault and a contingent of Patrol Officers went to the 200 Blk Green St, where he was arrested, without incident, in front of his residence, was conveyed to the police station and



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interviewed. Poindexter was then arraigned by Magisterial District Judge Bruce Roth, who set bail at \$500,000.00 and he was again committed to Lancaster County Prison in lieu of bail.

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