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Bank Robbery PNC Bank

Today, Detective Jeffrey Bell filed charges against the below individual in connection with the Bomb Threat and Bank Robbery at PNC Bank, 949 E. King St, which occurred shortly before 4:45 pm, Friday, December 26th. The individual charged in this crime was arrested on December 29th after committing a similar Robbery at M&T Bank in E. Hempfield Twp....

Ronald Andrew Brown, 37
No Known Address

During this Robbery, on December 26th, the suspect entered the bank and spoke to a bank employee at the customer counter about opening a safety deposit box. The suspect placed a box on some chairs in the bank, left and subsequently called the manager stating that the box contained a bomb and demanded money. The alert manager saw the box, told everyone to leave the bank and notified the police and their security. The Lancaster City Police and the Pa. State Police Bomb Unit responded to the scene and it was subsequently determined that the box did not contain a bomb.

After Brown was arrested on Monday, December 29th, Det. Jeffrey Bell responded to the E. Hempfield Twp Police Department with Manheim Township Detective Brent Shultz and in conjunction with the E. Hempfield detectives, the suspect was interviewed.

As a result of this investigation, Det. Bell charged Brown with Robbery(F-1) and Facsimile Weapons of Mass Destruction(F-3) before E. Hempfield Magisterial District Judge Brian for the Robbery of the PNC Bank.

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