

ILLINOIS STATE POLICE NEWS RELEASE

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<u>ILLINOIS STATE POLICE ARRESTS WAUKEGAN MAN FOR</u> <u>ROAD RAGE RELATED ATTEMPTED MURDER</u>

FRANKLIN PARK – Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation Zone 1 East Violent Crimes Unit arrested 34-year-old Leroyience Simmons of Waukegan, IL. Simmons was charged with Attempted Murder (Class X Felony) and Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm (Class 1 Felony) stemming from a road rage related expressway shooting.

On May 4, 2024, at approximately 4:27 p.m., ISP was notified of an expressway shooting that occurred on the Interstate 294 northbound near Wolf Road in Franklin Park. An occupant in the suspect vehicle fired a weapon, striking the victim vehicle. The victim was uninjured, and the suspect fled the scene. After an extensive ISP investigation, the suspect vehicle was identified. The suspect vehicle was located with the assistance of the Waukegan Police Department. Subsequently, ISP agents along with Waukegan Police Officers took Simmons into custody.

On May 6, 2024, the Cook County State's Attorney's Office approved the above charges against Simmons. Simmons is being held pending a detention hearing.

ISP reminds the public that when it comes to aggressive driving, don't lose your temper or your life. *Road Rage. Don't Engage.* If you are the victim of road rage or believe a driver is following or harassing you, call 911 and/or go to the nearest police department to report it. For more information about how to avoid road rage or ISP's *"Road Rage. Don't Engage."* campaign, visit the ISP website at: <u>https://isp.illinois.gov/TrafficSafety/RoadRage</u>.



Leroyience Simmons (M/33)

The public is reminded that all persons are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.