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June 17, 2014

**FWB MAN CHARGED WITH AGGRAVATED BATTERY AND KIDNAPPING  
IN CONNECTION WITH DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INCIDENT**



A Fort Walton Beach man faces multiple felony charges after Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office deputies investigated a domestic battery that took place June 15<sup>th</sup>.

50-year old Patrick James Conaty of 439 Waterway Lane is charged with domestic battery by strangulation, aggravated battery causing great bodily harm, kidnapping, and violation of pretrial release conditions.

Deputies were called to Fort Walton Beach Medical Center June 15<sup>th</sup> where the victim, Tess Sweeney, was found to have lacerations to a leg and bruising around her throat.

Sweeney says she and Conaty got into an argument over a previous arrest for domestic battery in which she was the victim. Around one a.m., he pushed Sweeney into a full length mirror, causing the cuts to her leg. Sweeney says Conaty then grabbed her by the throat and choked her until she lost consciousness. When she regained consciousness and tried to leave the home, she says Conaty grabbed her by the throat again and pinned her to the wall until she lost consciousness a second time. Sweeney was able to get away and travel to the hospital.

Deputies found Conaty hiding on the back patio of 445 Waterway Lane. He told them Sweeney walked into the mirror.

Based on the previous arrest, a no contact order had been issued April 23<sup>rd</sup> stating that Conaty was to have no contact with Sweeney. While Sweeney was in the hospital, deputies say she continued to get Facebook messages from Conaty. In addition, since the no contact order had been issued, Conaty and Sweeney had gotten married.

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ARREST REPORT

OKALOOSA CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE

REPORT NO: OCSO14ARR006166

Jail Booking No	Offense No OCSO14OFF006856	Other No OCSO14CAD106496	OBTS 4601098056
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[ SUSPECT ]

Last First Middle Title Race Sex DOB Age Hgt Wgt  
 CONATY PATRICK JAMES JR W M 12/9/1963 50 5'10" 200  
Eyes Hair MNI Number SSN ID. No. St Type OCA/Agency ID  
 HAZ BRO OCSO06MNI000849 [REDACTED] FL 201630

Birth Location: City: GARDENIA County: State: CA Nation: UNITED STATES Citizenship: UNITED STATES  
 Address

439 WATERWAY LANE FORT WALTON BEACH FL 32548

Occupations (Current/Last Known is Listed First)

Business: CUTZ BY US, Job Title: STYLIST, Entered: 4/22/2014  
 421 MARY ESTHER BLVD Suite: MARY ESTHER FL 32569  
 Business: , Job Title: HAIR STYLIST, Entered: 2/23/2006  
 Suite:

Aliases (Last, First Middle Title DOB)

\* none found in MNI \*

Street Names

\* none found in MNI \*

[ INCIDENT INFORMATION ]

Occurred Date Range: 6/15/2014 01:00 to 6/15/2014 01:22 Lat / Long 30.44111 / -86.59667  
 No. Di Street Apt/Lot City ST Zip (GEO)  
 439 WATERWAY LN FORT WALTON BEAC FL 32547 2 - 14 - -

[ CHARGES ]

741.29.6

Domestic Violence Related

OBSTRUCTING COURT ORDER

PRE TRIAL RELEASE CONDITION VIOLATION FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Counts	Level	Degree	GOC	UCR	NCIC	AON	Bond Amount
1	Misdemeanor	First	Principal	9000		5013	

784.041.2a

Domestic Violence Related

BATTERY

COMMIT DOMESTIC BATTERY BY STRANGULATION

Counts	Level	Degree	GOC	UCR	NCIC	AON	Bond Amount
1	Felony	Third	Principal	130A		1319	

784.045.1A1

Domestic Violence Related

AGG BATT

CAUSES GREAT BODILY HARM

Counts	Level	Degree	GOC	UCR	NCIC	AON	Bond Amount
1	Felony	Second	Principal	130A		1319	

787.02.1a

Domestic Violence Related

KIDNAP-FALSE IMPRISONMENT

ADULT

Counts	Level	Degree	GOC	UCR	NCIC	AON	Bond Amount
1	Felony	Third	Principal	1000		1010	

[ STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE / NARRATIVE ]

On 06/15/2014 at 0133 hours, I, D/S Mark Mitchell responded to the Fort Walton Beach Medical Center in reference to a domestic battery. Upon my arrival I made contact with the victim, Tess Sweeney.

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I observed two lacerations on Sweeney's right knee, requiring thirteen stitches to repair the injury. Sweeney also had bruising around her throat area consistent with being strangled.

Per sworn written statement, Sweeney stated her and her husband, Patrick Conaty, got into a verbal altercation over the defendants recent arrest for domestic battery in which Sweeney was the victim. The defendant had been drinking all night causing his aggression level to escalate. Around 0100 hours, the defendant pushed Sweeney into a full length mirror causing the lacerations to her knee. The defendant then grabbed Sweeney by the throat and pinned her up against a wall in their bedroom, applying enough pressure to cause Sweeney to lose consciousness. When Sweeney regained consciousness and tried to leave the residence, the defendant again grabbed her by the throat, pinned her against the wall, causing her to lose consciousness. After regaining consciousness the second time, Sweeney was able to exit the residence and travel to the hospital.

Deputies responded to 439 Waterway Lane, Fort Walton Beach, FL, where the incident occurred. Deputies on scene observed a broken mirror and blood on the floor consistent with Sweeney's statement.

I located the defendants motorcycle several houses down from Sweeney's residence, indicating that he was still in the area. Deputies were able to locate the defendant hiding on the back patio behind 445 Waterway Lane. The defendant was taken into custody. Post Miranda, the defendant denied all of the allegations and stated Sweeney walked into the mirror causing her leg injury.

Based on an a previous arrest, a no contact order was issued on 04/23/2014 by the First Appearance Judge for the defendant to have no contact with Sweeney. While Sweeney was at the hospital, she was receiving continuous messages via Facebook from the defendant in my presence. Additionally, since the no contact order was ordered, the defendant and Sweeney got married.

Based on the above probable cause, I have reason to believe and do believe that the defendant committed the offenses of Domestic Aggravated Battery F.S.S 784.045(1)(a)1, Domestic False Imprisonment F.S.S 787.021(a), Domestic Battery by Strangulation F.S.S 784.041(2)(a) and Violation of Pre-trial Release Conditions F.S.S 741.29(6).

I hereby swear (or affirm) that the facts established on this affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature (Arresting Officer) \_\_\_\_\_ MITCHELL, MARK R \_\_\_\_\_ 286  
Name ID/SSN

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this 17 day of June A.D., 2014 by \_\_\_\_\_  
who is personally known to me or has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Notary Public \_\_\_\_\_ LEO \_\_\_\_\_ CO

Commission No: \_\_\_\_\_ My Commission Expires \_\_\_\_\_

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[ PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ] [NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE LISTED]

[ ARREST INFORMATION ]

Arrested 6/15/2014 03:22	Residency Within jurisdiction	Injured None	Extent of Injury N/A	Resist No
	Arrested Prior Yes	Arrest Jurisdiction Within jurisdiction	Alcohol Yes	Drugs Unknown
No. 439	Di Street WATERWAY LN	A/L	City ST Zip FORT WALTON BEAC FL 32547	Lat / Long 30.44111 / -86.59667
Arresting Officer 286 MITCHELL, MARK R		Unit	(GEO) 2 - 14 - -	Officer Type
Reporting Officer 286 MITCHELL, MARK R		Unit		Original Offense Jurisdiction OCSO

Forward to for approval  
OCSO/FSV/SOUTH/BD/D-SHIFT

Bond Set by LEO at Time of Arrest & Booking: \$0.00

- None
- ROR
- Cash
- Pro

Bond Set by Judge  None  ROR/Sign  
 Cash  PTR  
 Any  
 Pro  
 PtIQ  
 Purge \_\_\_\_\_  
 SC \_\_\_\_\_

Return Court: CIRCUIT COURT: FELONY Date: 7/22/2014 Time: 15:30  
 Instructions: 1940 LEWIS TURNER BLVD. FT. WALTON BCH, FL, 32547

[ DISPOSITION ]

<u>Disposition Type</u>	<u>Release Type</u>	<u>Other Desc</u>
Booked into Jail		
<u>Release Date</u>	<u>Release Time</u>	<u>Release Officer</u>
		<u>Printed</u> <u>Printed By</u>
		No
<u>Released To</u>		

<u>Court Disposition Type</u>	<u>Court Disposition Description</u>
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[ ADDITIONAL PERSONS ]

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COURT DISPOSITION: \_\_\_\_\_

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No Bill / Petition     Issue Warrant     Prosecution Approved

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Signature of Assistant State Attorney

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Date