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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**Domestic Assault/ Barricaded Subject Incident:**

On 4-14-21 Christopher Poach, was arrested and charged after a domestic assault turned barricaded subject incident came to an end. The Wallingford Police Department initially received a complaint of a domestic violence incident that occurred at a residence in Wallingford in which Poach threatened to kill the victim, sparked a Taser at the victim in an intimidating manner, and alluded to shooting the victim in the head. During the incident, Poach attempted to restrain the victim from leaving and assaulted the victim.

Wallingford Police Officers then responded to the address in an attempt to speak with Poach. Poach refused to exit the home on several occasions and stated that he had a gun. At one point, Officers on scene witnessed Poach point a long gun out of a window in the home. Poach then fled the home through the rear door of the home with the long gun in hand. Poach led Officers on a foot pursuit before being ultimately apprehended. It was found that Poach had a live round in the chamber of the gun at the time of his apprehension.

Poach accessed the firearm from a safe that was kept in the home by using a chainsaw to force it open. Poach was found to be in possession of a long gun, ammunition, and body armor. Poach is a convicted felon.

**Christopher Poach**

**Age:** 38 years

**Address:** 12 Fairlawn Drive, Wallingford, CT 06492

**Charges:** 53a-63-Reckless Endangerment 1<sup>st</sup>, 53a-62- Threatening 2<sup>nd</sup>, 53a-61 Assault 3<sup>rd</sup>, 53a-181- Breach of Peace 2<sup>nd</sup>, 53a-212- Stealing a Firearm, 53a-116-Criminal Mischief 2<sup>nd</sup>, 53a-217d- Criminal Possession of Body Armor (2 counts), 53a-217- Criminal Possession of a Firearm or Electric Defense Weapon (2 counts), 53a-217(b)- Criminal Possession of Ammunition by a Felon.

**Bond:** \$1,000,000.00

**Court Date:** 4-15-21 at Meriden Superior Court

**WPD Case number:** 21-11560



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