

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION  
JACKSON POLICE DEPARTMENT  
PRESS RELEASE

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***Man Charged with Robbery in Early December Purse Snatching,  
Same Man Was Arrested in Early January for Robbing  
Convenience Store and Shooting at Clerk***

On December 7 around 7:40 p.m. Jackson police received a call of a purse snatching on the parking lot of K-Mart, 732 Old Hickory Blvd. A 57-year-old Jackson woman told police that a man approached her outside and grabbed her purse. She held on to it and he pulled her down to the ground. The strap broke and the man ran away with the purse.

Police developed Robert McLemore, 20, as a suspect in the ongoing investigation. He is scheduled to be formally arraigned Thursday at 8 a.m. in Jackson City Court on a charge of robbery.

McLemore is currently in custody at the Madison County Jail with a \$100,000 bond on unrelated charges. He stands charged with aggravated robbery, aggravated assault, possession of a deadly weapon during a dangerous felony and probation violation through Jackson City Court.

On January 3 around 8:50 p.m. Jackson police were called about an armed robbery at Phillip's 66 located at 1929 U.S. 45 By-Pass. The investigation indicated that a man entered the store, fired a shot at the clerk's head and demanded money. He took the cash drawer from the register and the clerk's purse. The clerk was not injured. He left the business and ran behind Day's Inn at 1919 U.S. 45 By-Pass. Police quickly surrounded the area and set up a perimeter. The police helicopter Air-One and a police dog were called in to assist. Police conducted a thorough search of the area and found the empty cash drawer and gun.

Around 10 p.m., police spotted a man who matched the description inside Taco Bell at 1921 U.S. 45 By-Pass. He was subsequently identified as the robber, McLemore. He had the stolen money from the business in his pockets.

