

**SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
CRIMINAL DIVISION
UNITED STATES
VS
HORNE, MEL JAMAHAL
CCN#: 25003461
Arrest Number: 522500558**

The event occurred on 01/08/2025 at approximately 14:54 at U.S. CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER, 1ST STREET NE, WASHINGTON, DC 20004.

The following events occurred on Wednesday, January 8, 2025 at approximately 1406 hours in the North Screening of the Capitol Visitor Center (CVC) located at 1 First Street, NW in Washington DC in PSA 102.

Reporting Officer (RO) Aamir Cade pin #6748 was on duty and in full uniform. RO 1 was stationed at a fixed post located at the North Screening entrance.

RO 2 Officer Daniel Medina Pin #8248 was also on duty and in full uniform stationed on a fixed post located at North Screening entrance.

Suspect 1 Horne, Mel Jamahal (D1) entered into the North Screening facility of the CVC where he stood in line at magnetometer #3 to enter the building. Once D1 walked up to the screening post, RO 1 asked D1 to divest their items for security screening. D1 placed a brown backpack, two folding knives, and a box cutter into a container to be placed into the x-ray machine.

RO 1 stated that the folding knives and box cutter were prohibited items that were not permitted into the building. Signs were posted outside of the visitor center with the prohibited items listed. There are also signs stating that a Lying in State funeral event was also taking place on this day. During this time, RO 2 sent D1's backpack through the x-ray machine where RO 1 and RO 2 noticed a large blade contained inside of the backpack on the x-ray machine monitor. Upon physical inspection, a machete was discovered inside of the backpack.

D1 was detained, and a name check was ran which concluded in No wants and No warrants. D1 stated that he was visiting the U.S. Capitol to attend Former President Carter's Lying in State Funeral, and that he possessed the knives and machete to use for landscaping work. RO 1 questioned when his last landscaping job was, as there has been a snow emergency in effect days prior. D1 advised RO 1 that he was not coming from or on his way to a landscaping job. At this time, there was currently 6-8 inches of snow still covering the grounds. D1 stated that he was homeless, and that he carried these items everywhere he travels.

RO 1 placed D1 under arrest at 1454 hours for CDW Machete. D1 was transported to USCP prisoner processing located at 119 D St, NE. D1 was processed and read his Miranda Rights. D1 waived his Miranda Rights and agreed to speak. USCP CIS Special Agent Peter Campopiano Pin 6328 was notified and conducted a custodial interview of D1 at USCP prisoner processing which was audio recorded. D1 was transported to CCB for lockup.

The event and acts described above occurred primarily in the District of Columbia and were committed as described by defendant(s) listed in the case caption.

Subscribed and sworn before me this 01/08/2025

CADE, AAMIR (01/08/2025) E-SIGNATURE **BROCKWELL, BENJAMIN / 6194 (01/08/2025) E-SIGNATURE**

Police Officer

Unit Witness / Deputy Clerk

CADE, AAMIR / 6748 / 6748

Printed Name of Member / Badge# / CAD#

BROCKWELL, BENJAMIN / 6194 / 6194

Printed Name of Witness / Deputy Clerk

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