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Suspect Pleads Guilty To Assault 2nd For A Drive By Shooting On I-5

King County: On April 15, 2025, at approximately 3:40pm, Washington State Patrol (WSP) communications received a 9-1-1 call from a driver reporting that they had been shot at by another driver NB I-5 to SR 516.

The victim stated that he and suspect vehicle were traveling NB I-5 near SR 516 when the vehicle pulled alongside him, brandished a handgun, and then fired at his vehicle. The bullet hit the right rear tire causing it to go flat and ruptured the gas tank. Both vehicles exited to SR 516 and stopped at a red light where the suspect exited their vehicle to confront the victim again. The victim recorded this confrontation which showed the suspect's face and name tag on his work shirt. The suspect subsequently left the area.

The victim provided the video and license plate at which time troopers and Kent Police responded to the residence. Once they arrived, they observed the suspect vehicle in the driveway and set up a perimeter. While officers and detectives were organizing a plan to call the driver out of the residence the suspect's brother arrived at the residence and had his brother surrender himself.

The suspect provided consent to the detectives to search his truck and residence where the handgun was discovered.

The suspect was identified as Leo Adolf Aiono, 40 years old from Kent. He was subsequently booked into the King County Jail for investigation of Assault 2nd: Drive By shooting.

The suspect was charged by the King County Prosecutor's Office shortly after and recently plead guilty to the charge.



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This is a great example of the tireless work that troopers and detectives do every day. The WSP is extremely thankful for the Kent Police Department providing immediate assistance making it possible to take the suspect into custody without incident a short time after the crime was committed.

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