

MEDIA RELEASE

ARREST WARRANTS ISSUED IN PEOPLES STATE BANK AND CHASE BANK ROBBERIES FROM SUMMER

ELLETTSVILLE, INDIANA (December 4, 2016): Arrest warrants have been issued for a lone suspect in the robbery of Peoples State Bank, located at 601 E. Temperance Street in Ellettsville and Chase Bank at 100 S. College Avenue in Bloomington. On June 30th, what was believed to be a white male, 5'3" to 5'4" tall, entered the Peoples State Bank and handed the teller a note demanding cash. Once the teller relinquished the cash, the suspect fled on foot into an adjacent wooded area. Deputy Marshal Eric Chaudion responded on scene and has since been working in conjunction with Detective Chris Ryan of Bloomington Police to identify the suspect. The robbery at the Chase Bank, located at 100 S. College Avenue in Bloomington, occurred on July 14th and was very similar. Information uncovered during the investigation provided probable cause for Senior Judge Honorable Douglas Van Winkle to issue an arrest warrant for Billy Joe McAuley (53 years of age) of Bloomington, Indiana on two counts of Robbery/Taking property from another by putting someone in fear, a Level 5 Felony under I.C. 35-42-5-1(2). One count for each of the two bank robberies. Billy McAuley is currently incarcerated in an Indiana Department of Corrections Facility on an unrelated charge. An Initial Hearing on these two charges has been set for December 8, 2016 at 1:30 p.m. in Monroe Circuit Court, Judge Teresa Harper presiding.