

# JUNEAU POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## INFORMATION RELEASE

**Subject: Assault**

**Date: 09/22/2009**

**From: Sgt. David Campbell**

**Case # 090921-019**

### Summary:

On 09/21/2009, at approximately 9:12 pm, the Juneau Police Department received a report of an altercation in the area of the 400 block of S. Franklin Street. The report indicated that a male was screaming obscenities in the face of another male, who was holding a religious sign.

Juneau police officers arrived in the area and the described activity was still taking place. The male suspect who was screaming obscenities was identified as 41 year old Juneau resident Edward WILLARD. The male victim was identified as a 44 year old Juneau resident. The male victim was carrying a sign that read, "Jesus Christ is Lord. The son of God. Trust and believe". The male victim said that WILLARD had been harassing him all day and that WILLARD was screaming curse words at him. The victim said that WILLARD threatened to punch him in the mouth for holding the sign and the victim was afraid of being assaulted.

WILLARD was placed under citizen's arrest for Assault, a class A misdemeanor. WILLARD was transported to and lodged at the Lemon Creek Correction Center and held on \$2,500 bail. Alcohol was a factor in the incident.

**Any charges reported in this press release are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.**

**\*\*\* END OF STATEMENT \*\*\***

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