



## NEWS RELEASE

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**Incident:** Attempt Strong Armed Robbery, Parole Violation Arrest

**Location:** Ventura Pier 600 block Harbor Blvd

**Date/Time Occurred:** 11/25/16 at 1838 hours

**Officer(s) Involved:** VPD patrol officers

**Victim(s):** Adult Male, name withheld

**Suspect(s):** Jesse White, 42 years, Ventura vagrant

**Report #:** 16-16324

**Narrative:**

On the above date and time the Ventura Police Department Command Center received a call from a victim of an assault that had just occurred on the pier.

The victim advised that he had been struck in the face by the suspect who had attempted to rob him of his cell phone. The suspect fled the area on foot but was detained in the area of the Harbor parking structure by responding officers.

The investigation determined that the victim who was on the pier was approached by the suspect who demanded the victim's cell phone. When the victim refused the suspect struck him in the face with his fist and tried to forcible remove the cell phone from the victim's hand.

The suspect, identified as Jesse White, had recently been released on parole after serving a lengthy prison sentence that stemmed from his conviction of an assault on a peace officer arrest in 2003. White was also found to be under the influence of a controlled substance.

The victim was treated at the scene for facial injuries that did not require hospitalization.

White was arrested and transported to the Ventura County Main Jail where was booked on the felony charges of attempted robbery and a parole violation as well as misdemeanor charges of battery and being under the influence.

*The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at [www.venturapd.org](http://www.venturapd.org)*

*If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.*

*If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.*

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