

**Contact: Watch Commander (805) 339-4416**  
**Release Prepared by: Sergeant Mike Brown**  
**Date and Time of Release: 11/23/17 at 0305 hours**

**Incident:** Road Rage / 245(A)(1) PC with a vehicle

**Location:** Portolla Rd. / Shenandoah St.

**Date/Time Occurred:** 11/22/17 at 2148 hours

**Officer(s) Involved:** Ventura Police Patrol Officers

**Victim(s):** Adult Male 21 years, Adult Female 21 years, Ventura Residents

**Suspect:** Thomas Riddle 50 years, Ventura Resident

**Report Number:** 17-15614

**Narrative:**

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Command Center received several 911 calls reporting a traffic collision at the intersection of Portolla Rd. and Shenandoah St. where one vehicle possibly fled the scene. A security guard from the Kohls shopping center witnessed the event and told dispatch the traffic collision stemmed from a Road Rage that took place between the two vehicles involved in the shopping center parking lot.

Officers investigating the incident made contact with all the involved parties and determined a Road Rage incident took place in the shopping center. During the incident, the victim threw a soda at Riddle's vehicle and Riddle pursued the other vehicle, driving on the wrong side of the entryway into the shopping center parking lot as the vehicles left the parking lot and turned on to Portolla Rd. Riddle's vehicle intentionally rammed the other vehicle on Portolla Rd. During the intentional act of ramming the other party's vehicle, Riddle's vehicle struck the curb at the intersection of Portolla Rd. and Shenandoah St. and became disabled.

The other vehicle involved in the incident was also disabled from Riddle ramming their vehicle and they were able to drive it a short distance away and called 911 for officer assistance.

No involved parties were injured as a result of the incident and both vehicles had to be towed away. Riddle was arrested for 245(A)(1) PC – Assault with a Deadly Weapon and booked at the Ventura County Jail.

The investigation into this incident is ongoing. Anyone with information related to this incident is urged to call the Ventura Police Department Traffic Unit at 339-4323.

*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.*