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Restive Fugitive Wanted for Resisting Arrest

Career criminal targeted by the City Attorney's Office for causing a public transportation altercation over bus driver's attentiveness to a wheelchair-bound passenger

COLUMBUS, OH—Columbus City Attorney Richard C. Pfeiffer, Jr. announced that a 42 year-old woman with over 70 criminal counts on her record is the latest target of his “Fugitive of the Week” program. Marsha L. Alexander, who uses several different aliases, four Social Security numbers, and six dates-of-birth, is currently wanted for failing to appear in court to answer charges filed against her for allegedly causing a disturbance on a COTA bus and subsequently resisting arrest.

The incident arose out of Alexander’s reported anger over the bus driver taking what she considered to be too much time to ensure that a wheelchair-bound passenger was properly secured.

“Someone with such a lack of respect for authority and the basic dignity of others must face justice,” said City Attorney Richard C. Pfeiffer, Jr. **“We need to send a message that everyone deserves access to safe and secure mobility options, especially our most vulnerable residents.”**

On July 9, 2011, police were notified via an emergency broadcast by COTA radio that a passenger, later to be identified as Marsha Alexander, was causing a disturbance by repeatedly screaming expletives at a bus driver for taking “too much time” loading a wheelchair-bound passenger. Her disruptive behavior forced the bus to stop and await for police assistance. Alexander continued to berate the bus driver and then directed her profanity at her fellow passengers and the police when they arrived at the scene. She was charged with misconduct on a public transportation system and resisted the police upon being arrested for her behavior.

“If Ms. Alexander was in such a hurry, she could have run or even walked briskly to her destination; at least she had that option, unlike the subject of her scorn,” said Assistant City Prosecutor Bill R. Hedrick, who leads the fugitive apprehension program on Pfeiffer’s behalf. **“She certainly proved herself to be able-bodied enough as she scuffled with the arresting officers.”**

Along with the charges stemming from the transit incident, Alexander is wanted on an unrelated theft charge as well. Her prior criminal charges include dozens of counts of theft, felony drug possession, receiving stolen property, domestic violence, criminal trespassing, breaking and entering, identity theft, and assault.

Anyone with information on Marsha L. Alexander, who also goes by the aliases Starlet Denise Turns, Marsha Davis, Angela D. Turns, and Marcia Alexander, should contact Bill Hedrick at 614.645.8874 or brhedrick@columbus.gov.

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MARSHA L. ALEXANDER

(AKA Starlet Denise Turns, Startlet Turns, Starlet D. Turns, Marsha Davis, Angela D. Turns, Angela Turns, Angela Deborah Turns, Marsha Lois Alexander, and Marcia Alexander)

Last Known Address:

893 ½ E. Main St. Apt. 4
Columbus, OH 43204

DOB: 1/18/1969 (Age 42)

Height: 5'8" **Weight:** 220

Hair: Black **Eyes:** Brown

Case Numbers:

2011 CRB 015285
2011 CRB 025461

Charge(s):

2321.33 – Resisting Arrest
2317.41 – Misconduct Involving Public Transportation System
2913.02 – Theft