

# U.S. MARSHALS OPERATION



OCTOBER 22-28, 2006

## SIGNIFICANT ARREST - OPERATION FALCON III SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA OCTOBER 26, 2006



On October 26, 2006, Inigo Varguez Felix, a Mexican citizen who admittedly entered the United States illegally at least ten years ago, was arrested in Orange Beach, AL by members of the U.S. Marshals Service *Gulf Coast Regional Fugitive Task Force* assigned to Operation FALCON III. Local authorities in the *Southern District of Alabama* wanted Felix for Sodomy and Sex Abuse of a Child Under 12 after he allegedly forced sex on a five year old boy. The alleged abuse came to light after the victim participated in a school class on “good touches & bad touches”. The victim, along with his two year old sister, often spent considerable time in Felix’s presence, and provided investigators with a complete, detailed description of sexual assaults which lasted for at least one year. FALCON III investigators developed information on

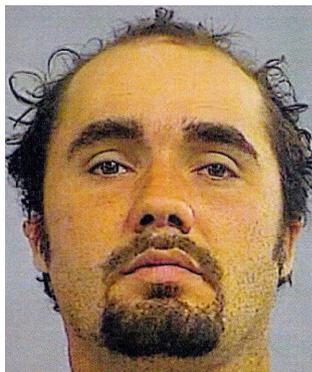
Felix’s probable location at an Orange Beach, AL residence, responded to that site, and safely took him into custody. A search of the home incident to arrest yielded items corroborating the victim’s account of the alleged sexual abuses.

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## SIGNIFICANT ARREST - OPERATION FALCON III WESTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA OCTOBER 23, 2006



On October 23, 2006, Brian Geary was arrested in Muldraugh, KY by a team of investigators from the *Western District of Kentucky* assigned to Operation FALCON III. Local authorities in the *Southern District of Florida* wanted Geary for Sexual Battery on a Child Under the Age of Twelve, after he allegedly raped and sodomized two young girls, aged six and seven. These assaults took place over several months. FALCON III investigators from the *Southern District of Florida* developed information indicating that Geary fled to Kentucky, and forwarded that information there. A FALCON III team in the *Western District of Kentucky* quickly identified Geary's probable location in Muldraugh, KY and established surveillance there. After more than seven hours of surveillance, investigators observed Geary enter the target apartment, moved in, and safely took him into custody less than twenty-four hours after receiving the initial request for assistance.

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## SIGNIFICANT ARREST - OPERATION FALCON III SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA OCTOBER 25, 2006



On October 25, 2006, Elmer Hearn was arrested in Riviera Beach, FL by a team of investigators from the *Southern District of Florida* assigned to Operation FALCON III. Local authorities in the *Middle District of Alabama* wanted Hearn for Rape, Sodomy, and Sexual Abuse after he allegedly assaulted two young girls, aged nine and eleven. Authorities filed charges against Hearn in early October 2006, but he fled to avoid capture and prosecution. Investigators from the U.S. Marshals Service *Gulf Coast Regional Fugitive Task Force* participating in FALCON III developed information indicating that Hearn fled to the West Palm Beach, FL area, and forwarded a collateral lead to FALCON III investigators there. Investigators immediately acted on the lead, developed information indicating Hearn moved to a residence in Riviera Beach, FL and responded there. A FALCON III team later located Hearn, moved in, and safely took him into custody.

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## SIGNIFICANT ARREST - OPERATION FALCON III SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS OCTOBER 24, 2006



On October 24, 2006, Robert Howell was arrested in New York, NY by members of the U.S. Marshals Service *New York / New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force* assigned to Operation FALCON III. Local authorities in the *District of Massachusetts* wanted Howell for Home Invasion, Aggravated Rape, Assault & Battery with a Deadly Weapon, Indecent Assault & Battery, and for firearms violations. These charges relate to a Home Invasion occurring in Dorchester, MA in August 2002. During this incident, Howell allegedly forced his way into a residence using a firearm, and over a fourteen hour period, repeatedly raped and assaulted the residents inside the home. The

FOX network program *America's Most Wanted* featured Howell's case in February 2006. Local investigators in Massachusetts developed information indicating that Howell fled to the New York area, and contacted the FALCON III team there. FALCON investigators quickly identified Howell's probable location, responded to that site, and safely took him into custody. Howell remains in custody pending extradition to Massachusetts.

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## SIGNIFICANT ARREST - OPERATION FALCON III NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA OCTOBER 24, 2006



*Gangster Disciples*  
Gang Member

On October 24, 2006, Demetrius Avery Jackson, Jr., a documented member of the *Gangster Disciples* gang, was arrested in Birmingham, AL by members of the U.S. Marshals Service *Gulf Coast Regional Fugitive Task Force* assigned to Operation FALCON III. Authorities in Fairfield, AL wanted Jackson for Capital Murder and Attempted Murder after he allegedly shot two Fairfield Police Department officers, one of whom, a twenty-one year veteran of law enforcement, died as a result of her wounds. During the incident surrounding these shootings, the Fairfield Police Department officers responded to reports of a suspicious vehicle near a home in that town. As the initial officer on the scene approached, she identified a suspect individual. As the officer began to secure that subject, later identified as Jackson's uncle, Jackson allegedly opened fire, fatally striking the officer. Jackson continued to fire at another officer who arrived to provide backup, striking him in the leg. FALCON III investigators received a request for assistance in locating and apprehending Jackson, and immediately responded. Investigators successfully identified Jackson's location at an apartment in Birmingham, responded to that location, observed Jackson, moved in, and safely took him into custody. Jackson and his uncle also face charges of Attempted Murder in relation to a separate shooting earlier in October.

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## SIGNIFICANT ARREST - OPERATION FALCON III MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA OCTOBER 24, 2006



On October 24, 2006, Wilfredo Madera was arrested in Orlando, FL by a team of investigators from the *Middle District of Florida* assigned to Operation FALCON III. The United States Marshals Service wanted Madera for violating 18 USC §2250 - The Adam Walsh Child Protection & Safety Act of 2006. In 2005, authorities in New York convicted Madera of charges relating to the rape of an eleven year old boy, and required him to register as a sex offender. Madera complied with this requirement, but later failed to update his registration upon relocation to Florida. The Walsh Act provides federal criminal penalties for sex offenders who knowingly fail to register, and who travel in interstate or foreign commerce. After confirming Madera's requirement to register in the State of New York, and further verifying his failure to register in the State of Florida, investigators from the *Middle District of Florida* obtained the federal charges against him. FALCON III investigators developed information on Madera's location, responded there, and followed a male subject matching Madera's description from that site. Investigators later moved in and safely took that subject into custody, positively identifying him as Madera.

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## SIGNIFICANT ARREST - OPERATION FALCON III MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE OCTOBER 24, 2006



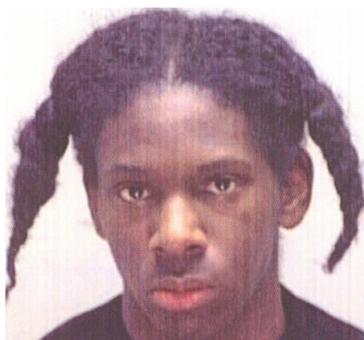
On October 24, 2006, Allen Marksberry was arrested in Rickman, TN by a team of investigators assigned to Operation FALCON III. Local authorities from the *Middle District of Tennessee* wanted Marksberry, a sexual offender from the State of Kentucky required to register for life, for Probation Violation. Marksberry's status as a sexual offender in Kentucky related to a 1996 conviction for Sodomy and Sexual Abuse. These charges involved a seven year old female victim. After moving to Tennessee, Marksberry initially registered with authorities as required, but later ceased to do so as he moved throughout the state. FALCON III investigators developed information indicating that Marksberry moved to a home in Rickman, TN, and immediately responded there. When investigators arrived on scene, Marksberry attempted to barricade himself inside the target residence. As the FALCON III team successfully gained entry, Marksberry fled to the rear of the home. Investigators followed and safely took him into custody. Incident to arrest, investigators discovered that Marksberry was babysitting three young children; a ten year old boy, and two girls, aged five and three. The Tennessee Department of Children's Services responded to the scene and assumed custody of the children. A further search of the home resulted in the seizure of a loaded handgun; two scales; quantities of marijuana and suspected veterinarian narcotics; police scanners; and pornographic photographs, including a picture of Marksberry holding a partially nude young girl. Investigators also discovered a travel trailer behind the home, which provided its occupant with a clear view of a local playground. Inside the trailer, investigators discovered a pair of binoculars. Marksberry will face additional charges.

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## SIGNIFICANT ARREST - OPERATION FALCON III MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE OCTOBER 26, 2006



*Crips Gang Member*

On October 26, 2006, Eric Dewayne Meneese, a documented member of the *Crips* gang, was arrested in Nashville, TN by a team of investigators from the *Middle District of Tennessee* assigned to Operation FALCON III. Authorities wanted Meneese for Murder, Aggravated Robbery, and Probation Violation after he allegedly engaged in an apparent gang-related attack on October 10, 2006. During this incident, Meneese attempted to rob a member of a rival gang, the *Gangster Disciples*, but when the situation escalated, he allegedly shot and killed the victim. FALCON III investigators developed information indicating Meneese's probable location at a family member's home, responded to that site, and safely took him into custody after finding him hiding in the home's attic. Meneese has a lengthy criminal history of arrests for Aggravated Robbery with a Weapon, Evading, Theft, firearms violations, and narcotics possession and distribution.

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## FOREIGN FUGITIVE ARREST - OPERATION FALCON III MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA JAMAICA OCTOBER 24, 2006



*Clansman* Gang Member

On October 24, 2006, Jamaican citizen Chan Tesha Miller, a documented high-ranking member of the *Clansman* gang, was arrested in Tampa, FL by a team of investigators from the *Middle District of Florida* assigned to Operation FALCON III. Authorities in Jamaica wanted Miller for multiple Homicides occurring on January 14, 2005, in St Catherine, Jamaica, and considered him a risk to that nation's security. Miller allegedly acted as a leader of the *Clansman* while living in the United States. FALCON III investigators, with critical assistance from the *U.S. Marshals Jamaica Foreign Field Office*, developed information indicating that Miller flew from Rhode Island to Tampa, FL. Investigators quickly acted on this information, responded to the target location in a Tampa-area condominium complex, and following surveillance safely took Miller into custody on immigration charges. Searches conducted incident to arrest, and during a later warrant execution, resulted in the seizure of a .45 caliber handgun, an SKS-type assault rifle, one pound of marijuana, and a large scale of the type commonly used to distribute narcotics.

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## SIGNIFICANT ARREST - OPERATION FALCON III DISTRICT OF MAINE OCTOBER 22, 2006



On October 22, 2006, James Miller was arrested in Auburn, ME by a team of investigators from the *District of Maine* assigned to Operation FALCON III. Local authorities in the *District of Maine* wanted Miller for Failure to Register as a Sex Offender. Miller's registration status related to charges of Gross Sexual Assault of a Person Under 13 and of Disseminating Sexually Explicit Material. FALCON III investigators developed information on Miller's location, responded to that site, and safely took him into custody. Incident to arrest, investigators seized a computer containing pornography. Miller violated multiple conditions of release by moving to Auburn, ME without permission from his Probation Officer, as well as by possessing a computer in violation of the stipulated conditions of his release.

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## SIGNIFICANT ARREST - OPERATION FALCON III SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA OCTOBER 23, 2006



On October 23, 2006, Melanie Munoz, a high-risk sexual predator, was arrested in Ft. Lauderdale, FL by a team of investigators from the *Southern District of Florida* assigned to Operation FALCON III. Authorities wanted Munoz for Failure to Register as a Sex Offender, and for Violation of Parole. Munoz's status on Parole related to a number of charges, including Armed Sexual Battery, Armed Robbery, Attempted Armed Robbery, and narcotics charges. These charges related to a series of incidents, during one of which, Munoz robbed a shop at gunpoint. During this robbery, Munoz forced the shop's male proprietor into the rear of the business where she sexually assaulted him at gunpoint. Authorities maintained contact with Munoz until 2004, when she illegally removed a GPS tracking device and fled. FALCON III investigators developed information on Munoz's location, as well as indications that she always armed herself. Investigators responded to the target location and requested that Munoz exit the residence peacefully. Munoz refused, compelling investigators to force entry and take her into custody. Incident to arrest, investigators seized six firearms, including three handguns, two shotguns, and a high-powered rifle.

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## **SIGNIFICANT ARREST - OPERATION FALCON III WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA OCTOBER 20, 2006**



On October 20, 2006, Elton Murray was arrested in Cottonport, LA by a team of investigators from the *Western District of Louisiana* assigned to Operation FALCON III. Local Authorities in the *Western District of Louisiana* wanted Murray for Attempted Murder, Aggravated Burglary, and Theft of a Motor Vehicle. These charges related to Murray's alleged attack on an elderly woman on October 15, 2006. During this incident, Murray allegedly attacked the victim with a large knife and a wooden lamppost, beating her into a state of unconsciousness before fleeing with her ATM card and vehicle. The victim later fell into a coma. Authorities also sought Murray for Aggravated Battery and Aggravated Burglary after he allegedly attacked two other women on October 5 and 11, 2006. During these incidents, Murray allegedly used a claw hammer to severely beat both victims. FALCON III investigators, who planned to target Murray at the onset of FALCON III, developed information just prior to the Operation indicating that Murray fled to the small town of Cottonport, LA. Investigators immediately responded to that location, and later sighted Murray running from a rural area towards a populated residential neighborhood. Law enforcement formed a perimeter, conducted a close search, and safely took Murray into custody as he hid in an unlocked vehicle. Murray has an extensive violent criminal history of Molestation of a Juvenile, Armed Robbery, Aggravated Burglary, and Resisting an Officer.

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## SIGNIFICANT ARREST - OPERATION FALCON III MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA



On October 27, 2006, James Grady Phillips was arrested in Miramar, FL by a team of investigators from the *Southern District of Florida* assigned to Operation FALCON III. Authorities wanted Phillips for Failure to Register as a Sex Offender. Phillips remained on state probation in North Carolina following a conviction in 1992 for Indecent Liberties with a Child, Attempted Statutory Rape, and Assault. In 2003, Phillips received another conviction for Indecent Liberties with a Child. Phillips later absconded from supervision in January 2006. FALCON III investigators from the *Middle District of North Carolina* developed information indicating that Phillips gained employment with a traveling carnival operating throughout the United States. Investigators further learned that the carnival moved into the southern part of Florida, and forwarded a collateral lead to FALCON III investigators there. A FALCON III team traveled to the carnival site, established surveillance, and later observed Phillips. Investigators quickly moved in and safely took Phillips into custody. The condition of Phillips' release stipulated he have no contact with children below the age of eighteen.

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## INTERNATIONAL FUGITIVE ARREST - OPERATION FALCON III REPUBLIC OF MEXICO CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA OCTOBER 18, 2006



On October 18, 2006, Mexican citizen Tomas Rosales was arrested in Ixtlahuacatengo, Guerrero, Mexico on a Provisional Arrest Warrant by a specialized unit of the Agencia Federal de Investigacion, which worked in concert with the U.S. Marshals *Mexico City Foreign Field Office* as part of activities related to Operation FALCON III. Local authorities in the *Central District of California* wanted Rosales for Kidnapping, Forcible Rape, Forcible Oral Copulation, Assault with Personal Use of a Deadly Weapon, and Sexual Battery by Restraint. These charges relate to Rosales' alleged sexual assault of a female victim in December 2003. Authorities implicated Rosales in this incident through the use of DNA collected from the victim, and compared that sample to a DNA sample taken from Rosales following a 1998 conviction for Sexual Assault in Illinois. Investigators from the U.S. Marshals *Pacific Southwest Regional Fugitive Task Force* and the *Mexico City Foreign Field Office* coordinated with Mexican law enforcement in developing information indicating that Rosales fled to the Republic of Mexico to avoid apprehension and prosecution. Investigators requested and received a Provisional Arrest Warrant naming Rosales, which agents from the Agencia Federal de Investigacion acted on and successfully executed. Rosales remains in custody in the Republic of Mexico pending further extradition proceedings.

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## SIGNIFICANT ARREST - OPERATION FALCON III DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY OCTOBER 26, 2006



*Bloods* Gang Member

On October 26, 2006, Nina Sheppard, a documented member of the *Bloods* gang was arrested in Camden, NJ by members of the U.S. Marshals *New York / New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force* assigned to Operation FALCON III. Local authorities in the *District of New Jersey* wanted Sheppard for Murder, Criminal Attempted Murder, Aggravated Assault, Conspiracy, Retaliation, and firearms offenses. These charges relate to an incident during which seven members of the *Bloods* gang allegedly shot and killed an eighteen year old male using a shotgun. The victim's brother, aged nineteen, was also critically wounded during this incident, but survived. Sheppard allegedly acted as the point of contact between an incarcerated *Bloods* leader who allegedly ordered the killing, and several other gang members. FALCON III investigators developed information on Sheppard's location, responded to that site, and safely took her into custody after making entry at the target residence.