

Press Release



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Dateline: Detectives Bust-Up Theft Ring in North and South Carolina

Cumberland County Sheriff's Detectives have charged two people with operating a major theft ring in North and South Carolina.

34-year old Raymond Lee Jones, III, of 5846 Pettigrew Drive, Fayetteville is being held in the Robeson County Jail under a 60 thousand dollar, secured bond on charges of breaking into several homes in Robeson and Brunswick Counties.

Meanwhile, Cumberland County Sheriff's Detectives were able to link Jones to dozens of home break-ins throughout Fayetteville, Sampson County, Carolina Beach, Sunset Beach, Dillon County, South Carolina and Marlborough County, South Carolina. Jones was charged with those thefts after a fingerprint was lifted from a home that he allegedly broke into, which was owned by a Fort Bragg soldier.

Also charged in the theft ring is 61-year old Harry Truman Parker of 6523 Clinton Road, Stedman. He is the owner of Parker's Gold, a pawn shop, where several of the items Jones allegedly stole was being resold to unknowing customers. Parker was released from the Cumberland County Detention Center under a two thousand dollar unsecured bond on charges of possessing and receiving stolen goods.

Jones will remain in custody of Robeson County authorities until punishment for his crimes has been satisfied with the courts. He will then be extradited to Cumberland County to face additional charges of breaking, entering and larceny.

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