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ARREST / NOTICE TO APPEAR
Juvenile Referral Report

OBTS Number

1. Arrest 2 N.T.A. 3. Request for Warrant 4. Request for Caplas: 1

Juvenile: N

ADMINISTRATIVE

Agency ORI Number: FLO 5 0 2 6 0 0

Agency Name: PALM BEACH GARDENS POLICE DEPT.

Agency Report Number (N.T.A.s only): 7 8 1-26-10 0 5 0 8 2

Charge Type: Check as many as apply. ☐ 1. Felony ☐ 2. Traffic Felony ☒ 3. Misdemeanor ☐ 4. Traffic Misdemeanor ☐ 5. Ordinance ☐ 6. Other

If Weapon Seized: Enter Type

Multiple Clearance Indicator

Location of Arrest (including Name of Business): 4344 Hickory DR PBG FL 33418

Location of Offense (Business Name, Address): 4344 Hickory DR PBG FL 33418

Date of Arrest	Time of Arrest	Booking Date	Booking Time	Jail Date	Jail Time	Location of Vehicle
10/7/26	2035					

DEFENDANT

Name (Last, First, Middle): Rhyne Valerie Nicolette 3/4/1986

Alias (Name, DOB, Soc. Sec. #, Etc.): [redacted]

Race (W - White, B - Black, I - American Indian, O - Oriental/Asian)	Sex	Date of Birth	Height	Weight	Eye Color	Hair Color	Complexion	Build
W	F	3/4/1986	506	130lbs	Green	~~Red~~ Blond	Fair	Small

Scars, Marks, Tattoos, Unique Physical Features (Location, Type, Description):

Marital Status: S

Religion: Christian

Indication of: Alcohol Influence ☐ Y ☐ N ☐ Unk; Drug Influence ☐ Y ☐ N ☐ Unk

Local Address (Street, Apt. Number): 4344 Hickory DR (City): PBG (State): FL (Zip): 33418

Mobile Phone: (561) 346 9774

Residence Type: 1. City 2. County 3. Florida 4. Out of State: 3

Permanent Address (Street, Apt. Number): 4344 Hickory DR (City): PBG (State): FL (Zip): 33418

Phone: ( )

Address Source: FL DL

Business Address (Name, Street): (City) (State) (Zip)

Phone: ( )

Occupation: Hwy Yachts

D/L Number, State: R-500-874-86-5840

Soc. Sec. Number: [redacted]

INS Number:

Place of Birth (City, State): Columbia, Maryland

Citizenship: US

CO-DEF

Co-Defendant (Last, First, Middle) | Race | Sex | Date of Birth | ☐ 1. Arrested ☐ 2. At Large | ☐ 3. Felony ☐ 4. Misdemeanor ☐ 5. Juvenile

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JUVENILE

☐ Parent ☐ Legal Custodian ☐ Other: Name (Last) (First) (Middle)

Residence Phone: ( )

Address (Street, Apt. Number) (City) (State) (Zip)

Business Phone: ( )

Notified by: (Name) Date

Juvenile Disposition: 1. Handled/Processed within Dept. and Released. 2. TOT HRS/DYS 3. Incarcerated

Released To: (Name) Date Time

The above address was provided by ☐ defendant and / or ☐ defendar to keep the Juvenile Court Clerk's Office (Phone (561) 355-6511) informed. ☐ Yes, by: (Name) ☐ No (Her ...ld / or parent was told ... address.

School Attended Grade

VICTIM NOTIFICATION REQUIRED

Property Crime? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Description of Property

Value of Property

CHARGE

CODE: Drug Activity: N. N/A P. Possess; S. Sell B. Buy T. Traffic; R. Smuggle D. Deliver E. Use; K. Dispense/ Distribute; M. Manufacture/ Produce/ Cultivate; Z. Other

Drug Type: N. N/A A. Amphetamine; B. Barbiturate C. Cocaine E. Heroin; H. Hallucinogen M. Marijuana O. Opium/Deriv.; P. Paraphernalia/ Equipment S. Synthetic; U. Unknown Z. Other

Charge Description	Counts	Domestic Violence	Statute Violation Number	Violation of ORD #
SIMPLE BATTERY (Domestic)	1	☒ Y ☐ N	784.03 (1)(A)(1)	

Drug Activity	Drug Type	Amount / Unit	Offense #	Warrant / Capias Number	Bond
N/A	N/A				NONE

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NOTICE TO APPEAR

Location (Court, Room Number, Address)

FILED PBG - GUN CLUB-- '26 OCT 8 AM 7:40

Court Date and Time

Month Day Year Time A.M. P.M.

I AGREE TO APPEAR AT THE TIME AND PLACE DESIGNATED TO ANSWER THE OFFENSE CHARGED OR TO PAY THE FINE SUBSCRIBED. I UNDERSTAND THAT SHOULD I WILLFULLY FAIL TO APPEAR BEFORE THE COURT AS REQUIRED BY THIS NOTICE TO APPEAR, THAT I MAY BE HELD IN CONTEMPT OF COURT AND A WARRANT FOR MY ARREST SHALL BE ISSUED

Signature of Defendant (or Juvenile and Parent/Custodian) Date Signed

I consent to receive text reminders of court date(s) and times for this case by automated technology to the mobile number identified above. I understand that standard text message rates may apply, and that I may revoke this consent via the text message system if I choose. Signature

ADMIN

HOLD for other agency

☐ Dangerous ☐ Resisted Arrest ☐ Suicidal ☐ Other:

Intake Deputy I.D. # Pouch #

Signature of Arresting Officer: x [signature] 563

Name of Arresting Officer (Print): D. Hearn I.D. #

Transporting Officer: D. Hearn I.D. #: 563 Agency: PBGPD

Name Verification (Printed by Arrestee) (PRINT)

Witness here if subject signed with an "X"

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PBSO #0148 REV. 10/22 DISTRIBUTION: WHITE- COURT COPY GREEN - STATE ATTORNEY YELLOW - AGENCY PINK - AGENCY GOLD - DEFENDANT (N.T.A.'s ONLY)

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PROBABLE CAUSE AFFIDAVIT

ADMIN

OBTS Number:

1. Arrest 2. N.T.A. 3. Request for Warrant 4. Request for Capias: **1**

JUVENILE:

Agency ORI Number	Agency Name	Agency Report Number
FL FL0502600	Palm Beach Gardens Police Department	7 | 8 | 26-005082

Charge Type: Check as many as apply. ☐ 1. Felony ☐ 2. Traffic Felony ☒ 3. Misdemeanor ☐ 4. Traffic Misdemeanor ☐ 5. Ordinance ☐ 6. Other

Special Notes:

DEF

Name (Last, First, Middle)	Alias	Race	Sex	Date of Birth
RHYNE, VALERIE NICOLETTE	RHYNE, VALERIE NICOLETTE	W	F	03/04/1986

CHARGES

Charge Description	Charge Description
784.03(1)(A)(1) BATTERY-SIMPLE (TOUCH OR STRIKE)	
Charge Description	Charge Description

VICTIM

Victim's Name (Last, First, Middle)	Race	Sex	Date of Birth
MERCY, RICHARD JOHN	W	M	03/21/1982

Local Address (Street, Apt. Number) (City) (State) (Zip)	Phone	Address Source
4625 SW BABYLON ST, PORT ST LUCIE, FL 34953	(561) 401-8887	

Business Address (Name, Street) (City) (State) (Zip)	Phone	Occupation
US POSTAL SERVICE		LETTER CARRIER

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

The undersigned certifies and swears that he/she has just and resonable grounds to believe, and does believe that the above named Defendant committed the following violation of law.

The Person taken into custody . . .

☐ committed the below acts in my presence.

☐ was observed by _____ who told _____ that he/she saw the arrested person committ the below acts.

☐ confessed to _____ admitting to the below facts.

☒ was found to have committed the below acts, resulting from my (described) investigation.

On the 7 day of October, 2026 at 20:35 (Specifically include facts constituting cause for arrest.)

On October 7, 2026, at approximately 7:18pm I responded to 10500 N Military Trail, Palm Beach Gardens, FL (PBGPD) in reference to a domestic battery. My body worn camera was used during this investigation.

On my arrival I met with the victim Richard Mercy who gave the following sworn statement: Mercy advised he was working today and he kept receiving text messages from his girlfriend Valerie Rhyne about him not being where he was supposed to be today and that he wasn`t answering her texts fast enough. Later in the day he received a notification and a text from Rhyne that she took $7,000 dollars from their joint bank account. Mercy came home and his girlfriend was not home. He drove to her parents` address 4344 Hickory Drive, Palm Beach Gardens, FL to confront her about why she took the money out and that he needs some of that money back to pay for his bills. During this verbal confrontation about finances Rhynes` father (Chuck Rhyne) came outside witnessing the incident. Mercy only wanted some of the money she took out of their account. While her father was still outside with them, Rhyne slapped him on the right side of his face multiple times. He left the address and went to the Palm Beach Gardens Police Department to file a report. I observed redness and red marks on the right side of Mercy`s cheek and temple. Mercy was provided with a victim`s rights brochure, lethality form and victims notification forms were completed. Mercy did not have any marks on his hands.

After speaking with Richard Mercy, I responded to 4344 Hickory Drive to speak with Valerie Rhyne who gave the following statement post Miranda Warnings: Rhyne stated that she was at the house in Port Saint Lucie, FL, when she noticed that Mercy was not answering her texts and his location was showing him somewhere else other than work or home. After she noticed this, she was over their relationship and left the house, driving to her parents` residence. She also took out money from their joint back account that she claimed was her money. Mercy showed up to her parents` house wanting the money

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ADMINISTRATIVE

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME

NOTARY PUBLIC / CLERK OF COURT / OFFICER (F.S.S. 117.10)

10/07/2026
DATE

SIGNATURE OF ARRESTING / INVESTIGATING OFFICER

HEARN, DEREK (563)
NAME OF OFFICER (PLEASE PRINT)

10/07/2026
DATE

COURT STATE ATTORNEY CENTRAL RECORDS JAIL CRIME ANALYSIS P. I. O.

ADMIN

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PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

back so he could pay his bills, that the money is both of theirs and he just wants $3,000 and they continuously argued. Rhyne was hesitant on answering any questions about hitting or slapping Mercy, ultimately denying putting her hands on Mercy and claims he is the type of person that would injury himself to get her in trouble. Rhyne did not have any injuries or markings on her face or body. I also checked her hands which she verbally confirmed her dominant hand is her left hand, and I did not see any swelling or redness, but a small cut/mark on her right ring finger.

Officer Bologna ID 616 spoke with the father Chuck Rhyne who gave a sworn statement and was explained as follows: He said that she was at the house and Richard Mercy showed up yelling and screaming at the front door. He came outside to confront them and during their argument about finances, they were shoving one another around, his daughter Valerie "slapped him around and he kind of just took it". During Officer Bologna`s questioning I came outside to see what the father said. As he was explaining to me the statement provided Chuck Rhyne became hostile screaming and yelling, saying that he did not say his daughter hit him and he recants his statement.

As a result to my investigation, I find probable cause to charge Valerie Rhyne with simple battery (Domestic violence) pursuant to FSS 784.03(1)(A)(1). Rhyne was transported to the Palm Beach County Jail for processing. Nothing further to report.

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SIGNATURE OF ARRESTING / INVESTIGATING OFFICER

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NAME OF OFFICER (PLEASE PRINT)

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VICTIM NOTIFICATION FORM

This form must be filled out in a case involving one of the following crimes:

- **Homicide** (Ch. 782)
- **Sexual Offense** (Ch. 794)
- **Attempted Murder**
- **Attempted Sexual Offense**
- **Stalking** (S. 784.048)
- **Domestic Violence** - (This includes any assault, agg. assault, battery, agg. battery, sexual assault, sexual battery, stalking, agg. stalking or any criminal offense resulting in physical injury or death of one family member or household member by another, who is or was residing in the same single dwelling.)

Upon completion, this form must accompany the booking paperwork. If applying for a warrant, attach this form to the filing packet.

SUSPECT/OFFENDER: _____

COURT CASE/WARRANT #: _____ **(FOR WARRANTS USE ONLY)**

1. Incident Report #: 26005082 Agency: PBGPD
   Offense: Domestic Battery
   Suspect/Offender: Valerie Rhyne
   D.O.B. 3/4/86 Race: W Sex: F

2. Warrant #(s): _____

3. Complete one (1) of the following:

   a. Victim's name: Richard Mercy
   Address: 4625 SW Babylon St
   City: PSL State: FL Zip: 34953
   Home #: 561-335-6747 Work #: _____ Other: _____

   b. Victim's next of kin: _____
   Address: _____
   City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
   Home #: _____ Work #: _____ Other: _____

   c. Victim's designated contact other than next of kin (for example: a friend or neighbor):
   Name: _____
   Address: _____
   City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
   Home #: _____ Work #: _____ Other: _____

4. Relevant identification or case numbers assigned to the case (please specify):
   _____

WAIVER: I CHOOSE NOT TO COMPLETE THIS VICTIM NOTIFICATION FORM, AND UNDERSTAND THAT I AM WAIVING MY RIGHT TO BE NOTIFIED OF THE RELEASE OF THE SUSPECT/OFFENDER.

Signature of person waiving notification: _____
Printed name of person waiving notification: _____

Officer's Name : D Hearn I.D.: 563 Date: 10/7/26

White-Warrants Division Yellow-Corrections or State Attorney (Warrant Application) Pink-Central Records

PBGPD FORM-054

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Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office

Florida State Statute Exemption Sheet

	X	Florida State Statute	Description	Page Number(s)
L/E Exemptions	☐	119.071(4)(c)	Undercover personnel	Click or tap here to enter text.
	☐	119.071(2)(e)	Confession	Click or tap here to enter text.
	☐	119.071(2)(j)1.e.	Name of a law enforcement officer who, in the course of their duties became a victim, is confidential and exempt for 72 hours after the incident. This information is exempt for an additional 60 days after the initial 72 hours.	Click or tap here to enter text.
Public Info. Exemptions	☐	119.071(2)(j)1.b.(I)	Identity, home or employment phone number, home or employment address, or any other information that could be sued to locate or harass the victim.	Click or tap here to enter text.
	☐	119.071(2)(j)	Home/employment telephone number, home/employment address, or personal assets of a person who has been the victim of sexual battery, aggravated child abuse, aggravated stalking, harassment, aggravated battery or domestic violence	Click or tap here to enter text.
	☐	119.0712(2)	Personal information contained in a motor vehicle record	Click or tap here to enter text.
	☐	316.650(11)	Driver information contained in a uniform traffic citation	Click or tap here to enter text.
	☐	119.071(4)(d)2.a.	Home addresses, telephone numbers, dates of birth, and photographs of active/former LE personnel, spouses, and children	Click or tap here to enter text.
Florida Rules of Judicial Administration 2.420	☒	(iii) 119.0714(1)(i)-(j), (2)(a)-(e)	Social Security, bank account, charge, debit, and credit card numbers	2
	☐	(xii) 741.30(3)(b)	The victim's address in a domestic violence action on petitioner's request	Click or tap here to enter text.
	☐	(xiii) 119.071(2)(h), 119.0714(1)(h)	Protected information regarding victims of child abuse or sexual offenses	Click or tap here to enter text.
	☐	Click or tap here to enter text.		Click or tap here to enter text.
	☐	Click or tap here to enter text.		Click or tap here to enter text.
Other	☐	Click or tap here to enter text.		Click or tap here to enter text.
	☐	Click or tap here to enter text.		Click or tap here to enter text.
	☐	415.107 (1)	ELDERLY NEGLECT ABUSE	Click or tap here to enter text.
	☐	119.071 (2)(J)	The Victim's address in a Domestic Violence action on petitioner's request.	Click or tap here to enter text.

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REVIEW COMPLETED BY

Booking Number: 2026027478	**Date:** 10/8/2026
	Specialist Name/ID#: MTooks #8557