

**PRESS RELEASE**

Arkansas Man Arrested for Allegedly Assaulting Law Enforcement and Other Charges During Jan. 6 Capitol Breach

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For Immediate Release

U.S. Attorney's Office, District of
Columbia

WASHINGTON — An Arkansas man was arrested today for allegedly assaulting law enforcement and other charges related to his conduct during the Jan. 6, 2021, breach of the U.S. Capitol. His alleged actions and the actions of others disrupted a joint session of the U.S. Congress convened to ascertain and count the electoral votes related to the 2020 presidential election.

David Michael Camden, 45, of Tontitown, Arkansas, is charged in a criminal complaint filed in the District of Columbia with felony offenses of assaulting, resisting, or impeding certain officers and civil disorder. In addition to the felonies, Camden is also charged with several misdemeanor offenses, including entering and remaining in a restricted building or grounds, disorderly and disruptive conduct in a restricted building or grounds, engaging in physical violence in a restricted building or grounds, disorderly conduct in a Capitol building, and act of physical violence in the Capitol grounds or buildings.

The FBI arrested Camden today in Fayetteville, and he is expected to make his initial appearance in the Western District of Arkansas.

According to court documents, it is alleged that Camden was identified on Jan. 6, 2021, approaching a bike rack barricade separating police officers from rioters gathered on the West Front of Capitol grounds. Here, Camden yelled at officers and allegedly pushed a bike rack barricade into a line of U.S. Capitol Police Officers in an apparent attempt to breach the line at this location. In response, officers successfully repelled Camden's advance and deployed a chemical irritant in his direction to preempt further aggression.

After this incident, it is alleged that Camden remained on Capitol grounds as the riot further developed. At approximately 2:11 p.m., court documents say that Camden deployed a fire extinguisher toward an assembled police line. Camden later moved to a media tower assembled for the upcoming Inauguration, and once he arrived at the media tower, Camden climbed the tower and waived a "Three Percenters" flag above the mob of rioters. Court documents say that "Three Percenters" are an American far-right anti-government militia.

This case is being prosecuted by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia and the Department of Justice National Security Division's Counterterrorism Section. Valuable assistance was provided by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of Arkansas.

The case is being investigated by the FBI's Little Rock and Washington Field Offices. Camden was identified as BOLO (Be on the Lookout) #286 on the FBI's seeking information images. Valuable assistance was provided by the U.S. Capitol Police and the Metropolitan Police Department.

In the 41 months since Jan. 6, 2021, more than 1,450 individuals have been charged in nearly all 50 states for crimes related to the breach of the U.S. Capitol, including more than 500 individuals charged with assaulting or impeding law enforcement, a felony. The investigation remains ongoing.

Anyone with tips can call 1-800-CALL-FBI (800-225-5324) or visit tips.fbi.gov.

A complaint is merely an allegation, and all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

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