

Peabody Man Who Led Police on Manhunt Held on \$10K Bail

The 39-year-old Peabody man who fled a traffic stop Tuesday night and led state troopers and local police on a manhunt before he was arrested is being held on high cash bail and faces additional unrelated charges on outstanding warrants.

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The Peabody man who fled a traffic stop in Revere and [led state troopers and police on a manhunt Tuesday night](#) through Peabody is now being held on \$10,000 bail.

Leroy Frederick, Jr., 39, of 4 Essex Ln. #2C, Peabody, was arraigned in Chelsea District Court on Wednesday for failing to stop for police, driving with a suspended license as a habitual traffic offender, carrying a dangerous weapon and resisting arrest. He is due in Dorchester District Court Thursday on additional charges, stemming from three unrelated outstanding warrants.

A press statement from Suffolk County District Attorney Daniel Conley's office said that attorney Peter Pasciucco recommended Frederick be held on the high cash bail and that his bail on multiple open Dorchester cases be revoked. Chelsea District Court Judge James Wexler granted both requests.

Conley's office said Frederick has a 13-page record with about 75 convictions dating back to 1990.

In his latest brush with the law, Frederick fled from a state trooper who pulled him over in Revere for having defective taillights -- state police said Frederick admitted he didn't have his license or any other ID with him -- and then headed back to Peabody.

Frederick bailed out of his vehicle, crossing paths with state troopers again, and led police on a manhunt for 1-1/2 hours before he turned up again outside his apartment building, breathless and muddy. Troopers were waiting for him there and said Frederick refused to get on the ground and ran a short distance before eventually giving up.

A search of Frederick's car yielded a double-edged knife, which is illegal to carry under state law, in a sheath in the glove compartment. Frederick told troopers he bought it at a flea market in Brockton.

Conley's office said the outstanding warrants involve charges of possession of a Class D substance with intent to distribute, assault with a dangerous weapon and separate motor vehicle violations from last June and this past month.

Frederick is represented by attorney Frank Fernandez. He will be back in Chelsea District Court on Feb. 28.

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