

Press Release

July 20, 2018

### **DeKalb Police file charges in shots fired incident**

The DeKalb Police Department have filed felony weapons charges after a shots fired investigation. On Friday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at approximately 12:29 am, the DeKalb Police Department responded to the 900 block of West Hillcrest Drive for a report of shots fired. Witnesses reported that a male fired multiple gunshots in the area. During the investigation, officers learned that the offender, Ronnie Hobson Sr., became upset with a loud group of people outside of his apartment. Hobson Sr. was reported to have asked the group to leave but they did not. Hobson Sr. then allegedly fired multiple gunshots to disperse the crowd. The gunshots were not fired directly at the people outside and no one was injured as a result of the shooting. Hobson Sr. fled the area after the shooting. Officers served a search warrant at Hobson Sr.'s residence. Hobson Sr. was later located and has been cooperative with police. DeKalb Police recovered the firearm believed to have been used in the shooting.

The DeKalb Police Department reviewed the investigation with the DeKalb County State's Attorney's Office. The following charges were approved against Hobson Sr.: Reckless Discharge of a Firearm and Possession of a Firearm by a Felon. An arrest warrant was issued today for Hobson Sr. with bond set at \$10,000 / 10% to apply.

Hobson Sr. remains in contact with the DeKalb Police Department and is expected to surrender himself on the charges.

Offender: Ronnie Hobson Sr.  
M/B 40 years of age  
900 block W. Hillcrest Drive  
DeKalb, IL

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