

NEWS RELEASE



Chino Hills
Police Department



Date/Time Occurred: Sunday, May 8, 2016

Crime or Incident: Attempted Robbery, Kidnapping for Robbery and False Imprisonment

Location: Rite-Aid, 4200 Chino Hills Parkway #500

Suspect(s): John C. Annabel

SUMMARY

John C. Annabel entered the Rite Aid store demanding Oxycontin, Suboxone and other prescription drugs from the attending pharmacy technician. Annabel threatened to use a gun to hurt someone if he did not get the drugs. When the pharmacy technician refused, Annabel jumped over the counter and chased her into a restroom. Annabel grabbed her by both arms and forcefully pulled the pharmacy technician to the pharmaceutical area.

The Store Manager tried to intervene as Annabel held the pharmacy technician's hands behind her back restricting her movements. Annabel ordered the Store Manager to give him all the drugs or he would hurt the technician. After a brief standoff, Annabel released the pharmacy technician unharmed, and fled the store. Deputy D. Emery of the Chino Hills Police Department apprehended Annabel within a block of the scene of the crime. Annabel was positively identified by the Store Manager and subsequently arrested. The incident was also captured on video surveillance cameras.

If you have any questions regarding this press release, contact case agent Deputy J. Patrick

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