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Media Release

Suspects Arrested in Strong Armed Robbery

On 9/28/09, The Colonial Heights Police Department responded to Southpark Mall regarding a strong armed robbery. A 74 year old female reported that she had been walking through the mall while carrying a purse in her hand. A male ran by the victim and forcefully removed the purse from her hand, causing her to fall to the ground and receive injuries to her nose and face. The suspect then ran from the scene and exited the mall.

Based upon descriptions provided by the victim and witnesses in the mall, police located and arrested two suspects in the mall area within 15 minutes of the crime. The following persons were arrested:



Lashon A. Candia 1000 block New York Avenue Glenn Allen, VA	Robert E. Adkins 1900 block North Battery Drive Richmond, VA.
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Candia was charged with Robbery, Malicious Wounding, and Conspiracy to Commit Robbery. Adkins has been charged with Conspiracy to Commit Robbery. Both were incarcerated in Riverside Regional Jail without bond.