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Charges Filed in Child Abduction in O'Hara Township

Allegheny County – At approximately 10:20 a.m. today, December 28, 2018, the O'Hara Township Police were dispatched to 8 Mary Way in response to a 9-1-1 call about a child being abducted. When they arrived, the complainant reported that Ashton Curtis had removed her one-month-old son from her home without her permission.

The O'Hara Police broadcast a description of the vehicle and Curtis to surrounding police agencies and requested the investigative assistance of the Allegheny County Police. Detectives responded to the scene.

At approximately 12:00 p.m., Troopers from the PA State Police stopped the vehicle travelling westbound on Interstate 70 in Claysville. In the vehicle were Ashton Curtis, the one-month-old, and another female identified as Curtis' mother, Kimberly Marine. A second vehicle was identified as being with the first and was stopped as well. That vehicle was a red pickup truck occupied by John Hall.

Throughout the course of the investigation, it was determined that Ashton Curtis and the mother of the child were romantically involved over the course of the past three years. After the birth of the child, Curtis believed he was the biological father, although the mother did not. The matter has not been officially settled.

Yesterday evening, December 27, 2018, Curtis arrived at the victim's residence in a red pickup truck. He stayed through the night, even after being asked to leave. In the morning, the victim snuck the child from the house and departed in a silver SUV.

It has been determined that Kimberly Marine and John Hall had flown from their home in Texas to Columbus, Ohio where they rented the silver SUV. They then drove to the victim's residence, stopping to buy a car seat along the way. They switched the silver SUV with the red truck then checked into a hotel. After Curtis abducted the child, they met and travelled south toward Texas.

At this time, 29-year-old Ashton Curtis, his 48-year-old mother, Kimberly Marine, and her boyfriend, John Hall (53) have been arrested and charged with concealing the whereabouts of a child, interference with custody of a child, and conspiracy. They will be lodged in the Allegheny County Jail to await arraignment on those charges.

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