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Press Release

Woman arrested for battery, robbery at local department store

Anderson, 47, located after fleeing Stage, 212 S. Summit, with stolen goods

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan. (December 22, 2015) — An Arkansas City woman was arrested Monday after allegedly fleeing the Stage department store at 212 S. Summit St. with stolen items in her purse.

Marilyn Grace Anderson, 47, was arrested by the Arkansas City Police Department on suspicion of battery and robbery.

Anderson was transported to and booked into the Cowley County Jail in lieu of \$5,750 bond through Cowley County District Court in Arkansas City. She since has posted bond and been released.

Police were dispatched to Stage for a report of a female who had stolen items from the store and left the area in a vehicle, for which a license plate number and description were provided.

Further investigation determined that the suspect had been in Stage for more than 30 minutes. She had taken items with her into the dressing room that could not be located afterward.

An employee tried to stop Anderson at the door of the store, questioned her about the items and asked to look inside of the suspect's purse, but she pushed past the employee and exited the door.

Anderson's vehicle later was located and she was taken into custody.

A defendant's guilt or innocence is to be determined by a court of law.