Clinton County Sheriff's Office News Release

TO: AREA NEWS

REPORTED BY: Sgt. W. Dominy

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SUBJECT OF RELEASE: Personal Injury Accident/Arrest

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NAMES OF ARRESTEE: Richard M. Brundige Jr.

AGE-SEX: 36 year old male

ADDRESS: Mooers, N.Y.

CHARGES: Leaving the scene of a personal injury automobile accident- Misdemeanor Aggravated Unlicensed Operation of a Motor vehicle 2nd- Misdemeanor Operating a motor vehicle without an interlock device- Misdemeanor Consume alcohol/open container in vehicle- Infraction Fail to keep right- Infraction No seat belt- Infraction Violation of Parole

DATE AND TIME OF ACCIDENT: 05/27/15 at 9:21 pm

NARRATIVE: Sheriff deputies responded to the Bashaw Rd. in the Town of Mooers after a reported one car motor vehicle accident. Upon arrival at the accident scene it was discovered that the operator of the vehicle had fled the scene on foot. After a brief search of the surrounding area, Brundige was located in a vehicle leaving the area. He was taken into custody without further incident. Robert St. Clair, a 45 year old male from Mooers, was the belted passenger who suffered minor injury during the accident. He was transported to UVMC-CVPH by EMS where he was treated for a head injury and later released. The investigation revealed that Brundige was operating a 2003 Impala west bound on the Bashaw Rd. when it exited the northern shoulder of the roadway where it struck a mailbox, a drainage culvert and then the vehicle subsequently rolled a number of times. Brundige currently holds no New York license and it is believed that alcohol may have been a contributing factor. Due to the elements of the accident, NYS Parole issued a warrant for Brundige's arrest and he has been committed to the Clinton County Jail without bail. Brundige has also been cited for the above listed offenses and he will appear in the Town of Mooers Court at a later date to face the allegations.

Sheriff deputies received assistance from members of the NYSP, Border Patrol, CBP Air, Mooers Fire Department and Mooers-Champlain EMS.