

Clinton County Sheriffs' Office

News Release

TO: AREA NEWS

REPORTED BY: Deputy T. Schwartz

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SUBJECT OF RELEASE: Arrest

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NAME OF ARRESTEE: Richard L. Benedict

ADDRESS: Hogansburg, NY

AGE-SEX: 42/Male

CHARGES:

Reckless Endangerment 2nd Degree (A-Misd) PL 120.25

Unlawful Fleeing a Police Officer 3rd Degree (A-Misd) PL 270.25

Reckless Driving (U-Misd) VTL 1212

Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 7th Degree (A-Misd) PL 220.03

Multiple other Traffic Infractions

DATE AND TIME OF ARREST: 11/10/2023 at 9:32pm

NARRATIVE: On November 11, 2023, at around 9:13pm, Clinton County Sheriff's Deputies attempted to stop a vehicle on Military Turnpike in the Town of Plattsburgh for vehicle and traffic violations. The vehicle refused to stop, leading deputies on a pursuit that ended on State Route 11 in the Town of Ellenburg, following which the operator of the vehicle, Richard L. Benedict, was taken into custody. It's alleged Benedict operated the vehicle recklessly during his attempt to flee Deputies. It's also alleged that upon arrest, Benedict was found to be in possession of an amount of a controlled substance.

DISPOSITION: Benedict was processed at the Sheriff's Office and released after being issued appearance tickets. Deputies were assisted in the incident by New York State Police and US Border Patrol.