



## BOONE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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### Media Release

Incident: Stolen Vehicle Pursuit  
Location: Boone, Callaway, Montgomery, and Warren County  
Date & time: 08/09/2017 @ 8:24 PM  
Case Number: 2017-2561 and 2562

#### Details:

Samantha Rachels, 23, of St Louis and Diane Williams, 44, of O'Fallon are in custody after a vehicle pursuit led deputies through Boone, Callaway, Montgomery, and into Warren county. Boone county deputies were originally alerted to a possible stolen 2012 Mitsubishi Eclipse traveling eastbound on Interstate 70 near Stadium Blvd in Columbia. Information obtained indicated the vehicle was stolen earlier today in Arnold, MO.

Deputies attempted a traffic stop but the driver refused to stop, traveling eastbound on Interstate 70 at speeds in excess of 90 MPH. The pursuit continued into Callaway county where assistance from Callaway county deputies as well as Troopers with the Missouri State Highway Patrol was provided. Tire deflation devices were used to slow the vehicle and it continued into Montgomery county, eventually becoming disabled near the 189-mile marker of Interstate 70 in Warren county.

Driver Samantha Rachels and her passenger Diane Williams were taken into custody without incident. The two women were charged with the following offenses:

#### **Samantha Rachels:**

Tampering with a Motor Vehicle 1<sup>st</sup> Degree (RSMo 569.080)  
Felony Resisting Arrest (RSMo 575.150)  
Failure to Yield to an Emergency Vehicle (RSMo 304.022)  
Careless and Imprudent Driving Involving an Accident (RSMo 302.012).

Rachel's bonds have not yet been set.

**Diane Williams:**

Tampering with a Motor Vehicle 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree (RSMo 569.090).

Williams' bond has not yet been set for the above-mentioned offense.

Upon her arrest, Williams was also found to have several active St Louis and St Charles warrants for her arrest. Coincidentally, her arrest warrants were for the following offenses:

Tampering 1<sup>st</sup> Degree – Bond: \$7,500  
Tampering 1<sup>st</sup> Degree – Bond \$15,000  
Obstructing Police – Bond \$20,000  
Traffic – Bond \$500  
Total Bond: \$43,000

Suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Release date & time: 08/10/17 @ 0130  
Release authorized by: Sergeant Tracey Cleeton

A mugshot can be accessed at [www.showmeboone.com/sheriff](http://www.showmeboone.com/sheriff)  
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