



## BOONE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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### Media Release Deputy Involved Crash

Incident: Suspect Arrested for DWI after Striking BCSD Patrol Vehicle  
Location: Route B at E Mount Zion Church Road  
Date & time: 01/13/2020 @ 11:46 PM  
Case Number: 20-000177

#### Details:

A 45-year-old Hallsville man was arrested after crashing his 1997 Chevrolet pickup into a Boone County Sheriff's Department patrol vehicle on 01/13/2020 at approximately 11:46 PM. The crash occurred on Route B, approximately three miles south of Hallsville, MO. The suspect, identified as Dustin Ritchie, was arrested for the following charges:

- Failed to Stop for Stop Sign – RSMo 304.351
- Operated a Motor Vehicle in a Careless and Imprudent Manner – Involving an Accident – RSMo 304.012
- DWI – Physical Injury to Law Enforcement or Emergency Personnel – RSMo 577.010

The dash camera recording from the patrol vehicle and the initial investigation revealed Ritchie was driving the Chevrolet eastbound on E Mount Zion Church Road, west of Route B, just prior to the crash. Ritchie failed to stop his vehicle for the posted stop sign at Route B, crossed Route B, and then turned southbound on the northbound shoulder of Route B. Ritchie then swerved into the northbound lane of Route B, just south of E Mount Zion Church Road. The fully marked Boone County Sheriff's Department patrol vehicle was traveling northbound on Route B, approaching E Mount Zion Church Road as Ritchie was swerving into the northbound lane. The deputy observed the Chevrolet swerving into the northbound lane and took evasive action to avoid a head on collision; however, was unable to avoid the Chevrolet crashing into the side of the patrol vehicle. The front passenger corner of the Chevrolet collided with the passenger side of the patrol vehicle. Both vehicles sustained moderate to heavy damage. The 32-year-old deputy involved in the crash received minor injuries from the crash. Ritchie had sustained injuries during a previous incident; therefore, deputies were unable to determine the extent of his injuries related to the crash.

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

The attached photos include a booking photo of Ritchie as well as photos of the damaged patrol vehicle.

**Mugshot of Dustin Ritchie (Taken on 01/14/2020)**



**Photo of Patrol Vehicle Damaged in Crash**



Release date & time: 01/14/2020 @ 08:45 hrs  
Release authorized by: Sgt. Brian Leer #5629