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## MEDIA RELEASE

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**Case number: 18-24034-AR**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Date: June 27, 2018**

### **Man Arrested for Attacking Service/Therapy Dog and Threatening owner with a Knife**

CONCORD –. On June 26, 2018 at approximately 3:20pm Concord Police arrested an adult male who assaulted an unsuspecting service dog and pulled a knife on the owner of the dog. Police arrested:

**Christopher Paquette, 27yrs**

**Concord, NH**

Mr. Paquette was charged with:

**CRUELTY TO ANIMALS RSA 644: 8 Class A Misdemeanor**

**CRIMINAL THREATENING (USE OF DEADLY WEAPON) RSA 631:4 Class B  
Felony**

**CONTROLLED DRUG ACT RSA 318-B:2 Class B Felony**

On June 26, at approximately 3:15pm Concord Police responded to the area of 80 Storrs St in the downtown area for a report of a male threatening another with a knife. Upon arrival the officers spoke with the victim and witnesses regarding the incident. The investigation learned that the victim, who is not known to the suspect, was waiting outside of a business for a taxi, with his service/therapy dog. Mr. Paquette, accompanied by another male, approached the victim and struck up a brief conversation. Without provocation Mr. Paquette became agitated, aggressive, and vulgar toward the victim. The victim tried to de-escalate Mr. Paquette.

Upon arrival of the taxi the victim offered Mr. Paquette the taxi in an effort to calm him. Mr. Paquette jumped into the taxi. The taxi driver observed Mr. Paquette's behavior and knew that it was the victims' fare. The taxi driver told Mr. Paquette, to get out of the cab. Mr. Paquette exited the cab and turned his aggression back toward the victim. Mr. Paquette used a back-pack of sorts and aggressively struck the victims service dog. The victim protested and Mr. Paquette

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pulled out a knife and threatened to harm the victim. Upon learning that the police were called, Mr. Paquette fled on foot.

Responding patrol officers located Mr. Paquette and he was arrested and the weapon was recovered. Mr. Paquette was also found to be in possession of methamphetamine.

Mr. Paquette was held at the Merrimack County House of Corrections. He will be arraigned on **June 27, 2018 @1pm** at the **Merrimack County Superior Court**.

The police are asking the public for any information pertaining to this incident. Please contact Lt. Sean Ford at 225-8600 or the Concord Regional Crimeline 226-3100.

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