

Phoenix man faces charges after motel fight

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A Phoenix man is facing multiple charges after a fight with his girlfriend led to property damage at a Gallup motel.

On Feb. 16, around 9:30 pm, Gallup Police Officer Kyle Delgai was dispatched to the Motel 6 at 3306 W. Hwy. 66 after a caller claimed a domestic dispute was taking place.

According to his report, when Delgai arrived at Room 242 at the motel, he noticed a broken window with glass on the floor. The front door had also allegedly been kicked.

Delgai spoke to the victim, who said she'd gotten into an argument with her boyfriend, who was later identified as Tyrell Chee. She said she didn't want Chee, 25, in the room with her, so she asked him to get some items from her truck.

The victim said she was scared and she locked the door behind Chee.

When Chee came back to the room and found himself locked out, he allegedly became angry, and tried to kick the door in. The victim said she tried talking to him, but she eventually called the motel lobby and asked for Chee to be escorted off the property.

After talking to motel employees the victim reportedly ran to the motel room's bathroom. She allegedly heard Chee break a window, but she wasn't sure how he did it.

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Chee entered the motel room and grabbed the victim by the sweater she was wearing. The victim said he grabbed her by the arm and was able to pull the sweater off her because it was loose. He then grabbed her head and began pulling her by the ear.

He reportedly threw the victim to the ground and a bystander saw the incident and yelled at Chee. Chee then grabbed some items from the room and fled the scene.

According to Delgai's report, the victim had some scratches on her ear and it was red.

The victim said Chee took her cellphone and some of her children's belongings.

When Delgai spoke to the motel manager she said that the property damage caused by Chee would cost about \$1,000 to fix.

After Delgai finished talking to the victim and the motel manager, he met with Chee, whose right hand was swollen and bruised. Delgai arrested Chee for battery upon a household member and criminal damage to property.

Chee had to be restrained during the car ride to the Gallup Police Department because he kept kicking Delgai's seat. He also banged his head on the patrol car's divider glass multiple times, and Delgai had to pull over to further restrain him so he wouldn't keep hurting himself. His preliminary hearing for the aforementioned charges is scheduled for March 6.

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