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SUBJECT: Port St. Lucie man arrested for driving with woman hanging on the outside of his car.

On September 26, 2016, Port St. Lucie Police arrested **David Alexander Squitieri (DOB 2/17/89, 474 SE Thornhill Drive, Port St. Lucie)** for aggravated battery with a deadly weapon after he drove with a female victim hanging on the outside of his car.

The investigation began on September 26, 2016 at around 4:15 pm when police were called to the Wal-Mart located at 1850 SW Gatlin Boulevard for reports that a lady was being dragged on the outside of a car. When police arrived at the scene they found the victim, a 48 year old female, laying in the parking lot with several lacerations, abrasions and a head injury she sustained from falling from a moving car.

Investigation revealed that Squitieri, the victim, and another female went to Wal-Mart to return items for a gift card. The victim did the actual return and then met with Squitieri after receiving the gift card. Squitieri and the victim argued over the amount of the card which led to Squitieri running to his car to leave the area. The victim followed Squitieri and as she was getting into his car, Squitieri began driving with the victim hanging on the outside of the car. Squitieri traveled about 60 yards then turned right in the parking lot and traveled approximately another 40 yards before the victim fell from the car. Squitieri subsequently fled the scene.

Police met up with Squitieri later in the evening and placed him under arrest for aggravated battery with a deadly weapon. Squitieri was taken to the St. Lucie County Jail for booking.



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The victim was transported to a local hospital and was treated for non-life threatening injuries.

Attachments: Police report, photo of car, booking photo, video of incident.