

# Mason City Police Department

## PRESS RELEASE

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**DATE: DECEMBER 8, 2015**

**Re:** Arrest of Levi Andersen

On Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at around 3:00 p.m., a search warrant was executed on a residence in the 700 block of South Eisenhower in Mason City. Levi James Andersen (28) of Mason City fled the residence as tactical officers with the Special Operations Group arrived. Anderson was apprehended after a foot pursuit. Anderson had a loaded handgun and suspected methamphetamines in his possession when he was arrested. Also during the foot pursuit with officers he dropped a handgun magazine and meth.

As a result of the arrest, two additional search warrants were served; one being at the residence Anderson fled from and another residence in Mason City. Officers found several more firearms, ammunition and devices believed to be firearm silencers. It is also suspected that some of the firearms recovered may have been converted to automatic weapons.

Anderson was jailed at the Cerro Gordo County Jail for the following criminal offenses:

- Possession of a controlled substance with the intent to deliver; Class B Felony
- Carrying/possession of an offensive weapon; Class D Felony
- Carrying/possession of a dangerous weapon; Class D Felony
- Possession of a firearm as a felon; Class D Felony
- Interference with official acts and possession of drug paraphernalia; simple misdemeanor

Anderson also had prior arrest warrants from Freeborn County, Minnesota related to a motor vehicle pursuit in June 2015 and Douglas County, Minnesota for possessing a firearm as felon and carrying a weapon without a permit from a March 2015 arrest.

The Mason City Police Department was assisted by the Cerro Gordo County Sheriff's Office, Iowa State Patrol and North Central Iowa Narcotics Task Force and Special Operations Group.

Rich Jensen  
Lieutenant



"AN ARREST WITHOUT DISPOSITION IS NOT AN INDICATION OF GUILT"

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