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MARINE ARRESTED ON NUMEROUS DOMESTIC CHARGES

On August 17, 2011 at approximately 6:30 pm, New Bern Officers responded to 1728 Elmwood Street for a call about a man with a gun trying to kick open the rear door of the residence. Upon arrival, officers found **Bryan O'Neil BROWN, DOB: 2/24/1990 of 4623 Camden Square Dive, New Bern, NC** sitting on the front porch. Officers also located **BROWN's** estranged wife of 1728 Elmwood Street along with a 4 year old male child inside the residence. **BROWN** and the estranged wife are going through a separation and the 4 year is their son.

Further investigation revealed the couple had a physical altercation earlier in the day at 4623 Camden Square Dive when **BROWN** refused to allow his estranged wife to leave that location by waving a kitchen knife in her face. The estranged wife fled unharmed after **BROWN** left her at that location.

The estranged wife went to the Elmwood Street residence where **BROWN** later showed up operating his green 2006 Dodge Charger. **BROWN** entered into the house through an unlocked rear door. The estranged wife locked herself in a room with the son. **BROWN** beat on the locked room door while threatening her but then left the residence. The estranged wife then locked all the doors to the house. Within minutes, **BROWN** returned to the residence, exited the Charger with the handgun and started screaming at the house. **BROWN's** attempt to gain entry through the rear door was unsuccessful. **BROWN** then went to the front of the house and sat on the porch until police arrived. Police conducted a search of **BROWN's** vehicle where the semi- automatic handgun was located.

BROWN was charged with Assault with a Deadly Weapon with a Minor Present, False Imprisonment and Assault on a Female for the incidents that occurred at 4623 Camden Square Drive. He was also charged with Breaking & Entering (for the 1st time he was at the Elmwood St residence), Attempted Breaking & Entering with the Intent to Commit a Felony, Assault with a Deadly Weapon with Intent to Kill (Felony) and Going Armed to the Terror of the People for the incidents that occurred at 1728 Elmwood Street. **BROWN** was placed in Craven County Jail without bond with a first appearance set for August 18, 2011.

BROWN is an active-duty marine Lance Corporal with the 8th Marine Division stationed at Camp LeJuene.

The New Bern Police Department is committed to Community Policing. Citizens are encouraged to become a "**Partner in Policing,**" by reporting suspected illegal activity to the New Bern Police Department's **TIPS** line at **(252) 636-5034** or the Craven County Crime Stoppers line at 633-5141.

For additional information, please contact Lt. Linda T. Godette, Public Information Officer, at the New Bern Police Department at 252-672-4196.

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