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Fraud and Theft Investigation Leads to Three Arrests

Three people are facing multiple charges after an investigation by the Columbus Police Department's Property Crimes Unit uncovered fraudulent activity, drugs, and a stolen firearm.

Arrested:

- **Deshaun Peralta, 20 – Financial Transaction Card Theft, Financial Transaction Card Fraud x2, Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Distribute, Theft by Receiving (Firearm)**
- **Tyrese Galloway, 17 – Theft by Receiving (Firearm)**
- **Yasmin Peralta, 40 – Theft by Receiving (Firearm)**

Over the past several weeks, investigators received reports of fraudulent bank card use. The investigation led to the identification of a suspect, Deshaun Peralta, who was employed as a server at Longhorn Steakhouse on Macon Road. Detectives determined that Peralta had been photographing customer bank card numbers while processing payments and using that information to funnel thousands of dollars to himself in a variety of ways.

On September 9, 2025, officers with the Property Crimes Unit, assisted by members of the Special Victims and Violent Crimes Units, executed a search warrant at Peralta's residence. During the search, investigators recovered a money counter, 47.2 grams of marijuana, several cell phones, and an AR-15 rifle that had been reported stolen.

Peralta, along with his brother and mother, was taken into custody. At this time, investigators have identified multiple victims, and additional charges are expected as the investigation continues.

A Recorder's Court hearing is scheduled for Thursday, September 11, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.

Anyone who believes they may have been affected is encouraged to contact the Columbus Police Department's Property Crimes Unit at 706-225-3151.

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