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Tennessee Man Indicted for Assault of a Federal Employee While Using a Firearm.

MEMPHIS, TN: On September 4, 2019, at approximately 7:30 PM, a U.S. Postal Service employee was shot at multiple times when he interrupted a suspect breaking into his personal vehicle, which was parked in the employee parking lot at the Memphis Priority Mail Annex (PMA), located at 3300 Jet Cove Suite 10 in Memphis, TN. The suspect, along with a female accomplice, fled the scene in a blue Nissan Sentra. Inspectors later identified Bernard M. Jones as the shooting suspect.

On June 9, 2020, in the Western District of Tennessee, the Grand Jury returned a True Bill indictment against Jones. Jones was charged with violations of Assault of a Federal Employee While using a Deadly Weapon, Convicted Felon in Possession of Ammunition or Firearm, Use of a Deadly Weapon during a Crime of Violence, and Attempted Homicide of a Federal Employee.

On June 12, 2020, Postal Inspectors apprehended Jones without incident.

The charges in the indictment are merely accusations and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.