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Alleged co-defendant in Attempted Capital Murder Apprehended

The San Juan Police Department assisted by the United States Marshal's Gulf Coast Fugitive Task Force, Texas Department of Public Safety and the Hidalgo Police Department apprehended Victor Hugo Pena at a residence located in Hidalgo, Texas.

The San Juan Police Department received information that Victor H. Pena was at a residence in Hidalgo, Texas. Surveillance was immediately set up using the United States Deputy Marshal's, DPS Investigators, Hidalgo Police Department and San Juan Police Investigators; Victor H. Pena was verified to be inside the residence and was immediately taken into custody without any incident.

Victor H. Pena was wanted for Criminal Attempted Capital Murder, Aggravated Kidnapping and Tampering/Fabricating Evidence charges after a January 16th, 2014 incident that took place on Cesar Chavez Road in San Juan, Texas. Officers responded to the area after a male subject (victim) began asking for help from homeowners claiming that he had been shot and was injured. Responding officers found the victim with a single gunshot wound to his leg. The investigation quickly led to the identity of the shooter (Armando Ortiz), and his co-defendant, Victor H. Pena and investigators were able to recover two weapons along with evidence to support the arrest warrants. The incident stemmed from a dispute over narcotics and a load of marijuana that was allegedly lost.

Victor H. Pena was presented before Judge Eloy Hernandez of the San Juan Police Department where he was issued a \$500,000.00 bond for Criminal Attempt Capital Murder. \$100,000.00 bond for Aggravated Kidnapping and \$100,000.00 bond for Tampering/Fabricating Evidence, Victor H. Pena remains in the custody of the San Juan Police Department and will be later transferred to the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office.

The public is urged to contact the San Juan Police Department if they have any information regarding this case and to contact the San Juan Crime Stoppers program at 956-283-8477.