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Capitol Police make arrest in alleged fraudulent check scheme

RICHMOND – The Virginia Division of Capitol Police announced Thursday it has made an arrest in what is believed to be a fraudulent check-cashing scheme that could involve several jurisdictions.

Marcus Cole Jackson, 18, of the 1400 block of Leafcrest Lane in North Chesterfield, was taken into custody late Wednesday afternoon and charged with one count of attempting to obtain money by false pretense, a Class 4 felony.

Capitol Police arrested Jackson at the Virginia Credit Union branch on the mezzanine level of the Monroe Building at Capitol Square.

Capitol Police investigators are continuing to look into whether there are other victims among lending institutions in the capital region, including in Richmond and Henrico County.

“I applaud the quick response of our officers and investigators,” said Col. Anthony S. Pike, the Capitol Police chief, “and I am grateful for the fast thinking of the Virginia Credit Union staff. The response to this crime reinforces what we so often tell people in the community – that if you see something, say something.”

Capitol Police were called to the credit union Wednesday at 2:43 p.m. when an employee determined that someone was trying to cash what appeared to be a fraudulent check. The first officer was on scene in less than

three minutes, and investigators worked with the credit union's fraud and risk management staff to determine the check was indeed fraudulent.

Jackson, who was taken into custody without incident, made an initial appearance Thursday morning in Richmond General District Court, where the case was continued until July 16.

If convicted, Jackson faces one to 20 years in prison and a fine of up to \$2,500.

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