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JURY FINDS NORTH CHARLESTON WOMAN GUILTY OF RESISTING ARREST AND FAILURE TO STOP FOR BLUE LIGHT

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Solicitor Scarlett A. Wilson announced that a Charleston County jury found Jamelia Logan guilty of Resisting Arrest and Failure to Stop for Blue Light. Judge Markley Dennis sentenced Logan to 3 years suspended upon the service of 90 days incarceration followed by 3 years probation on the Failure to Stop. Logan was concurrently sentenced to 90 days incarceration on the Resisting Arrest.

Logan was stopped by Ptl. Matthew Woodall of the North Charleston Police Department for speeding on Shadow Lane in a residential area. After being stopped, Logan refused to provide her driver's license or registration. When the police officer attempted to take her into custody, Logan sped away nearly striking the police officer with the open door of her vehicle. The officer initiated a pursuit in the area of University Boulevard and Shadow Lane. After a brief pursuit Logan was apprehended by assisting officers in the parking lot of a nearby pharmacy where she continued to be irate and confrontational. At the trial, jurors ultimately rejected Logan's claim of a pre-textual stop and found the traffic stop to be lawful and officers' actions to be appropriate due to Logan's unjustifiable escalation of the situation.

Assistant Solicitors Nina L. Savas and Truc Tran prosecuted the case on behalf of the Ninth Circuit Solicitor's Office. Assistant Public Defenders Megan Ehrlich and Michael Loignon represented Jamelia Logan.

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