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**Shreveport Police Department Arrests Suspect for Attempted Murder in Shots Fired Incident**



**Robert Cornelius**

On Thursday, June 27, at approximately 9:15 a.m., Shreveport Police Department officers were dispatched to Jewella Avenue and Mackey Lane in response to reports of shots fired. Dispatchers informed officers that a man was driving his vehicle away from another man who was shooting at him. The victim remained on the phone with 911, following directions and attempting to reach the police station, while the suspect continued to pursue him at a high rate of speed.

The suspect repeatedly rammed the victim's car, forcing it off Interstate 20 and down an embankment, causing the vehicle to flip. Despite the severity of the incident, the victim sustained only minor injuries.

Detectives from the Shreveport Police Department's Violent Crimes Unit responded to the scene, and patrol officers were able to apprehend 33-year-old Robert Cornelius. Following a thorough investigation, Cornelius was arrested and charged with one count of attempted second-degree murder, one count of illegal use of a firearm, and one count of aggravated criminal property damage.

Chief Wayne Smith commends the dispatch team and patrol officers for their outstanding performance and handling of this complex situation.

Suspects are innocent until proven guilty.