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U.S. Marshals Arrest Major Drug Trafficker and 2 Others

David G. Jolley, United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Tennessee, announces the arrest of **Reco Lamar Mosley**. Wanted out of Buncombe County, NC for fleeing from law enforcement, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, and violation of probation, Mosley, age 42, was arrested without incident by the Eastern District of Tennessee United States Marshals Service (USMS) Smoky Mountains Fugitive Task Force at 829 Hawley Road, Blountville, TN. Recovered at the scene were 12 firearms, including an AR pistol, a pill press, and large amounts of fentanyl and methamphetamine. Mosely was found to be in possession of a stolen firearm.

Mosley has a lengthy history of drug and firearms violations as well as a history of fleeing from police. His most recent charges stem from an incident in which he fled from the Tennessee Highway Patrol into North Carolina, where he then ditched his vehicle and fled on foot with a firearm. In 2016, Mosley was convicted for his role in a large-scale crack cocaine distribution conspiracy in North Carolina. After being released from federal prison, in 2021, Mosley fled from police in North Carolina. He was finally stopped after spike strips were deployed and was found to be in possession of a large amount of methamphetamine and marijuana. Mosley went back to federal prison. Following his release in July 2024, Mosley resumed trafficking in illegal drugs. Based out of the Buncombe, NC area, he is known to be a major supplier of illegal drugs to the Asheville area and into northeast Tennessee.

Jla Olinger was also found to be at the same location when the SMFTF arrived. Olinger was a wanted fugitive out of Smyth County, VA for possession of a Schedule II controlled substance (fentanyl) and out of Washington County, VA for violation of probation. Additionally, property owner Joshua Basket was taken into custody for possession of Fentanyl and felon in possession of firearms.

All three subjects were booked into the Sullivan County, TN jail where they are currently being held.

The Eastern District of Tennessee United States Marshals Service (USMS) Smoky Mountains Fugitive Task Force team that made the arrests included Deputy U.S. Marshals out of the Greeneville, TN, the Greeneville Police Department, White Pine Police Department, Greene County Sheriff's Office, Johnson City Police Department, Hawkins County Sheriff's Office, Washington County Sheriff's Office, Jefferson City Police Department and ATF. The Sullivan County Sheriff's Office SWAT assisted the SMFTF with the arrests.

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