

## **WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Sheriff Fred Newman

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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A Washington County man has been arrested and charged with motor vehicle theft as the result of an investigation conducted by the Washington County Virginia Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division.

According to Washington County Sheriff Fred Newman, a white Chevy S-10 pickup truck was stolen from the Washington County Service Authority Water Plant on U.S. Route 58. The victim reported the truck, a Stihl 029 chainsaw, and a battery were taken. The theft occurred n April 12, 2012. Evidence was collected at the scene, which included a discarded cigarette butt. This evidence was submitted to the state lab for DNA analysis and a suspect was developed through that analysis.

The suspect, Brian Turner Nunley, age 32, of 19432 North Fork River Road, Abingdon, VA, was interviewed and he ultimately provided a statement that he stole the truck. On November 1, 2012, warrants were obtained charging Nunley with auto theft. He was arrested and taken to the Abingdon Facility of the Southwest Virginia Regional Jail where he is being held without bond.

