



# HARRISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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**\*\*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\*\***  
**For Immediate Release**

On Sunday, May 7, 2017, Sheriff Troy Peterson announced the arrest of 29 year old Matthew Scott Hale who resides at 24255 Thomas Lawton Road, Saucier, MS., 39574 on one felony count of Aggravated Assault.

According to Sheriff Troy Peterson, Harrison County Sheriff's Department Deputies responded to a call reporting an assault in the 24000 block of Thomas Lawton Road, Saucier, MS. Upon arrival Deputies placed Matthew Scott Hale in custody without incident. Deputies located a male victim who had been severely beaten at the residence. Deputies learned from Matthew Scott Hale, the victim's roommate, that he had beaten the victim after a verbal argument. Victim was transported to Garden Park Hospital and then life flighted to USA hospital in Mobile. Victim is listed in serious but stable condition.

Matthew Scott Hale was booked into the Harrison County Adult Detention Facility and charged with one count of Aggravated Assault - Manifesting Extreme Indifference to Human Life. Hale is being held in lieu of a \$100,000.00 dollar bond set by Justice Court Judge Louise Ladner.

Investigative Officer: \_\_\_\_\_

Arresting Officer(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Approved For Release: \_\_\_\_\_

Troy J. Peterson, Sheriff, Harrison County, Mississippi