



BURKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Sheriff Steve Whisenant
CRIMINAL / NARCOTICS DIVISION
PRESS RELEASE

Name: ROBERT PAUL SHAFER
DOB: 01/11/1966 **Age:** 53
Race: White **Sex:** Male
Address: 1960 Jamestown Road, Morganton
Charges: F – Larceny Financial Transaction Card
F - Obtain money by False Pretense
M- Misdemeanor Larceny (Guilford County)
F – Fugitive from Justice (Henry County)
M - Failure to Appear on Obtaining Property by
False Pretense (3 counts) (Henry County)
M - Contempt of Court for Failure to Appear on
Shoplifting Charge (Henry County)
Bond: \$11,000 – Secured
No bond – Fugitive Warrant
Court Date: 02/01/2019



Details:

On January 23, 2019, Burke County Sheriff's deputies responded to a call from a residence on Mountain Breeze Drive, Morganton. The victim reported the larceny of a credit card that had been used to make large purchases over several days. The case was assigned to Burke County detectives who developed Robert Paul Shafer as the suspect.

Shaffer was located at his residence at 1960 Jamestown Road, Morganton, and arrested on an outstanding warrant for misdemeanor larceny from Guilford County, NC. During an interview, Shaffer confessed to the Burke County investigator and was charged with felony financial card theft and felony obtaining property by false pretense. Further investigation determined Shafer had outstanding warrants in Henry County, Virginia for failure to appear and was served with a fugitive warrant for fleeing justice, and a contempt of court charge for failure to appear on a shoplifting charge.

Shafer was placed in the Burke-Catawba District Confinement Facility under a \$10,000.00 secured bond on the Burke County warrant, a \$1,000.00 secured bond on the Guilford County warrant and is being held without no bond on the fugitive warrant.

Agencies Involved:
Burke County Sheriff's Office

February 1, 2019