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Man assaults two police officers - fined \$4,000

A 39-year-old St. Augustine man was fined a total of \$4,000 and placed on a bond to keep the peace for one year when he appeared before a Tunapuna Magistrate today.

KEVON ALEXANDER, of Freeman Road, plead guilty to the offences which stemmed from an incident yesterday. He was fined as follows:

- Escaping lawful custody- \$1,000
- Resisting arrest- \$1,000
- Two counts of assaulting a police officer- \$1,000 each
- Possession of marijuana for the purpose of trafficking by virtue of being within 500 meters of a school namely the Tunapuna Government Primary School (77.7g)- placed on a bond to keep the peace for one year

For the first three offences, he has six months to pay or he faces three months' hard labour. For the last offence, should he fail to keep the peace, he will be fined \$2,000.

PC Delpino along with other officers of the Tunapuna/Piarco Municipal Police Station were on mobile patrol when, in the vicinity of the Tunapuna Public Market, he observed a man with a bag acting in a suspicious manner. On seeing the officers, the man firmly gripped the bag to his body. This aroused the officers' suspicion, prompting them to conduct a search of the man. He was found to be in possession of 77.7 grams of marijuana and a pocket scale. He was arrested and conveyed to the Tunapuna/Piarco Municipal Police Station.

Whilst being processed, **ALEXANDER** made an attempt to escape lawful custody. Officers gave chase and apprehended him a short distance away. During the second arrest, he became violent, injuring two officers in the process.

He was subsequently arrested and charged by W/CPL (Ag.) Springer.

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