



Date: 10/16/17**NEWS RELEASE****NR# 17-71**

Suspect arrested for attack on cab driver

Seminole Co. – (October 16, 2017) Seminole County Sheriff's deputies arrested a Lake Mary man and charged him with aggravated battery on a cab driver early Saturday.

The investigation started at around 3:00 a.m. when deputies were called to Island Shore Lane in Lake Mary. The victim was standing next to his taxi with blood on his face and a large amount of blood on his shirt. The victim told investigators that the suspect, 25-year-old Benjamin Polk, was one of two passengers he had just driven to that location from downtown Orlando.

Upon arriving at the Lake Mary location, Polk became angry at the price of the cab fare and attacked the victim, striking him in the mouth and knocking out his front tooth.

The victim positively identified Polk as the man who attacked him. Based on the victim's identification and other evidence, Polk was arrested and transported to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility. He was booked on a charge of aggravated battery causing bodily harm or disability. Polk later posted \$15,000 bond and was released.

Arrestee:

Benjamin David Polk (9/19/92)700 Twin Creek Cir #100 Lake Mary.

For more information contact:

PIO Bob Kealing (bkealing@seminolesheriff.org)

(407)665-6950

(407)473-4698

or

Mgr. Kim Cannaday (kcannady@seminolesheriff.org)

(407) 665-6978

(407) 402-3319

####



