



# CITY OF DOVER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

POLICE DEPARTMENT



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## **PRESS RELEASE**

**February 21, 2017**

Chief Anthony Colarusso of the Dover Police Department announces that an arrest has been made in a recent assault case.

On February 16, 2017 around midnight, a 45 year old male suffered serious bodily injury to his head after being punched while standing in front of 603 Bar and Lounge at 368 Central Avenue, Dover. The victim, who was transported to Wentworth-Douglass Hospital by Dover Fire and Rescue, was later transferred to a Massachusetts hospital where he remains in stable condition.

After an investigation by the responding patrol officers and follow-up investigation by Dover Police detectives, an arrest warrant was obtained for Benjamin Fredericks, 27, charging him with Second Degree Assault, a Class B felony. The investigation revealed that Fredericks was involved in an earlier altercation with the alleged victim inside the bar, and the assault was not a random event.

Fredericks, of 636 Berry River Road, Barrington, New Hampshire, turned himself into police without incident on February 17, 2017. He was released on \$2,500 personal recognizance bail and is scheduled to be arraigned in Strafford County Superior Court on February 23, 2017.

This case is being investigated by the Dover Police Department's Special Investigations Bureau. Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call the Dover Police Department at 603-742-4646. Anonymous tips may be called into the Dover Crimeline at 603-749-6000. The Dover Crimeline can also be contacted via [www.dovernhcrimeline.org](http://www.dovernhcrimeline.org).

Media inquiries for the Dover Police Department concerning this incident can be directed to Sgt. Mark Nadeau of the Dover Police Department at 603-742-4646 or [m.nadeau@dover.nh.gov](mailto:m.nadeau@dover.nh.gov).