



# Hampton Police Division Media Release

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**For Immediate Release**

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## **Suspect Arrested in Robbery Investigation: First Block of West Mercury Boulevard**

The Hampton Police Division has charged, Bi Chao Chen, with robbery in reference to an incident that occurred on March 12, 2014.

The investigation revealed that at 1:51 a.m., Hampton Communications received a complaint of a robbery that had just occurred in the first block of West Mercury Boulevard. Upon officer's arrival, they discovered that the victim, a 38-year-old New York man, was approached by the suspect whom brandished a knife and demanded money. The suspect took an undisclosed amount of money, a wallet and credit cards from the victim. The suspect then fled the area in a Silver Acura. The victim was not injured during the incident and the relationship between the suspect and victim is unknown at this time.

The suspect has been identified as Bi Chao Chen, a 49-year-old Norfolk man that resides in the 1100 block of Willoughby Bay Avenue. The suspect was arrested by the Norfolk Police Department at his residence. He is currently in custody of the Hampton Police, but will be transferred to the Hampton City Jail where he will be subsequently charged with one count of robbery and one count of use of a knife in commission of a felony.

Sergeant Jason Price will receive questions about this release at 757-727-6638.

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