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AURORA MAN FREE ON BOND CHARGED FOR ILLEGALLY POSSESSING GUN, METHAMPHETAMINE

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Kane County State's Attorney Joe McMahon has charged 34-year-old **Jesus M. Perez** with the offenses of:

- Armed violence, Class X felony
- Possession of a firearm without a FOID, Class 3 felony
- Possession of methamphetamine, Class 3 felony
- Aggravated unlawful use of a weapon, Class 4 felony, 2 counts
- Possession of ammunition without a FOID, Class A misdemeanor
- Unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, Class A misdemeanor
- Resisting a police officer, Class A misdemeanor

Kane County prosecutors allege that at about 2 a.m. March 25, 2020, an Aurora police officer saw Perez in the driver's seat of a vehicle that was parked and running in an alley behind a home in the 700 block of Talma Street, Aurora. The officer approached the car and saw that Perez was asleep. The officer knocked on the car window, and Perez woke up and opened the car door. The officer saw four unused bullets in the driver's side door. The officer repeatedly ordered Perez to put his hands up, but Perez refused. The officer then pulled Perez from the car, and after a struggle placed him under arrest. During a search the officer found a loaded handgun and methamphetamine on Perez, and additional bullets in the car.

Perez is prohibited from possessing a gun because of a 2019 conviction for domestic battery. In addition, he was free on bond at the time of his most recent arrest in two pending 2019 cases.

The Aurora Police Department conducted the investigation.

Perez appeared March 25 in Kane County bond court. Kane County Associate Judge Julio Cesar Valdez set Perez's bail at \$150,000, with 10 percent (\$15,000) to apply for bond.

Judge Valdez set Perez's next court appearance for 9 a.m. May 1, 2020, in Courtroom 319 at the Kane County Judicial Center.

The charges against Perez are not proof of guilt. Perez is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial in which it is the state's burden to prove his guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

Jesus M. Perez: Age 34 (d.o.b. 12-24-1985), of the 700 block of Talma Street, Aurora, Illinois. Case No. 20CF615.