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On March 22, 2016 Bates County Sheriff's Office Deputies took a report of burglary that occurred at Solar Shade in Rich Hill, MO. Several items were stolen from the building that included a Chase Credit Card and also payroll checks. After the burglary had occurred the credit card had been used at Wal-Mart, Taco Bell, White Oak Gas Station and the Dollar General Store all in Butler, MO. Video surveillance from Community First Bank showed a Johnny L Poe (DOB 6/17/1986) and a Christopher J. Anderson (DOB 6/10/1977) cashing the payroll checks.

On April 5, 2016 Poe was arrested and questioned regarding the payroll checks. Poe confessed to cashing the checks at Community First Bank. Poe was issued a warrant for Forgery and is currently in custody at the Bates County Jail.

Christopher Anderson and Melanie R. Foley (DOB 3/22/1994) have also been observed on video cashing payroll checks in Nevada, MO and Bolivar, MO.

On 4/12/2016 John D. Taylor (DOB 2/14/1974) was questioned about being involved with Anderson and Poe. Taylor confessed to receiving gas in his truck for driving Poe and Anderson around while they used the credit card and stolen payroll checks. Taylor is currently in the Bates County Jail on a 24 hour investigative hold pending charges.

Christopher Anderson and Melanie Foley are currently absconders and are wanted for questioning in this crime. If you know of their current whereabouts please contact a Detective at the Bates County Sheriff's Office (660-679-3232). Your tip can remain anonymous.



