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# News Release

## Two Ark City parents arrested Saturday in parental custody case

*Mahoneys accused of aggravated, domestic battery after minor-injury collision*

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan. (February 13, 2018) — The Arkansas City Police Department arrested two Arkansas City residents Saturday after a domestic parental dispute resulted in vehicle-inflicted injuries.

Robert Dwayne Mahoney, 28, was arrested on suspicion of felony interference with parental custody, as well as battery-domestic violence, disorderly conduct and endangering a child, all of which are misdemeanors. He was transported to and booked into the Cowley County Jail in lieu of \$13,000 bond through Cowley County District Court in Arkansas City.

Pamela Jean Mahoney, 48, was arrested on suspicion of felony aggravated battery, as well as battery-domestic violence, disorderly conduct and endangering a child, all of which are misdemeanors.

She was transported to and booked into the county jail in lieu of \$13,000 bond through Arkansas City district court.

Both Mahoneys since have posted bond and been released.

Police were dispatched about 1:20 p.m. Saturday to the 1400 block of South Fourth Street for a report of a possible car-pedestrian accident involving a child custody issue.

After investigating the incident, officers discovered the custody issue had arisen during a visitation period. As one parent tried to leave and take one of the children, the other parent attempted to stop this.

As the second parent tried to stop the first parent from placing the child in the car and leaving, the car door was shut on the parent's hands. The driver then backed up the vehicle to leave, then drove forward, striking the victim with the side mirror of the car. The victim sustained minor injuries.

The child was not injured and later was released to the custody of the second parent, who was treated at South Central Kansas Medical Center and later released.

**For immediate release**

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A defendant's guilt or innocence is to be determined by a court of law.

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