



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **PCSO DRUG UNIT INVESTIGATIONS LEADS TO MULTIPLE ARRESTS “OPERATION BORDER RESCUE”**

PUTNAM COUNTY, TN – On February 12, 2024, Putnam County Sheriff's Office Drug Division assisted by PCSO Patrol Division has been working diligently to serve multiple outstanding active arrest warrants here in Putnam County.

Sheriff Eddie Farris stated, “Because of the numerous deaths associated with fentanyl overdoses over the past three years primarily due to our Nations Open Border Policy, our county is no different from most others. We are working overtime in order to combat illegal drugs so that we may ensure the safety of our good citizens.”

As of 3pm on February 12, 2024, the following individuals have been arrested on their outstanding active arrest warrants:

**Vanessa Nichole Hammock** has been arrested and charged with Manufacture, Sell, and Delivery of Methamphetamine, Manufacture, Sell, and Delivery of Schedule I Drugs, Manufacture, Sell, and Delivery of Schedule II Drugs, and Schedule II Drugs – Fentanyl. **Hammock** has a bond set at \$100,000 and a court date of March 18, 2024.

**William Ray Burke** has been arrested and charged with 4 counts of Manufacture, Sell, and Delivery of Schedule III Drugs. **Burke** has a bond set at \$50,000 and a court date of March 18, 2024.

**Bobby Clarence Flanigan Jr.** has been arrested and charged with 2 counts of Manufacture, Sell, and Delivery of Schedule III Drugs. **Flanigan** has a bond set at \$50,000 and a court date of March 18, 2024.

**Jamie Elizabeth Powell** has been arrested and charged with 2 counts of Manufacture, Sell, and Delivery of Schedule I Drugs, Manufacture, Sell, and Delivery of Schedule II Drugs, and 4 counts of Schedule II – Fentanyl. **Powell** has a bond set at \$100,000 and a court date of March 18, 2024.

**Brandon Troy Hayes** has been arrested and charged with Manufacture, Sell, and Delivery of Methamphetamine. **Hayes** has a bond set at \$80,000 and a court date of March 18, 2024.

Sheriff Farris stated, “We expect over the coming days to make more arrests and will inform you once that has occurred.”

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