



# NEWS RELEASE

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### Uber Driver Charged with Possession of Firearm



**Offender:** Chad Pilcher, 41  
300 block of 91<sup>st</sup> St

**Charges:** One felony count of Possession of a Firearm with a Defaced Serial Number  
One felony count of Cannabis – Possess Cannabis/10-30 Grams/SubQ  
One felony count of UUW Weapon Felon/Parole – Possess/Use Firearm Prior  
One misdemeanor count of Firearm w/o valid Foid/Elig  
IVC – Not wearing seat belt/driver

**Bond:** Central Bond Court - 2600 S. California Avenue – July 23, 2016

**Narrative:** 20<sup>th</sup> District Tactical Officers observed Pilcher operating a vehicle without seatbelts and curbed the vehicle on the 1100 block of W. Foster on July 22, 2016 at approximately 3:25 pm.. When the officers approached the vehicle they detected a strong odor of cannabis emitting from inside the vehicle. Further investigation revealed Pilcher to be in possession of a handgun with a defaced serial number. Pilcher was placed into custody and charged accordingly. During the investigation it was determined that Pilcher was operating as an Uber driver and the passenger had hired Pilcher via a cell phone application. A name check of Pilcher revealed Pilcher to be a convicted felon. No further information is available at this time.

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