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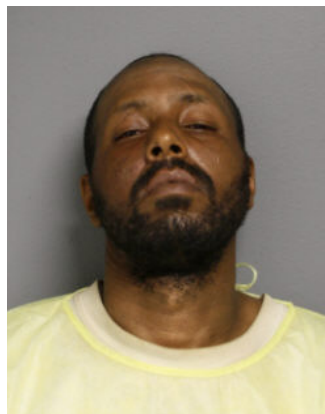
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### **Auburn Gresham Man Charged in CTA Red Line Attack**



**Offender:** Ronald Sparks, 34  
7700 Block of S. Throop St.

**Charges:** One felony count of Aggravated Criminal Sexual Assault/Bodily Harm  
One Municipal count of Smoking on the CTA

**Court:** Central Bond Court – 2600 S. California, May 12, 2015

**Narrative:** Ronald Sparks was arrested on May 11, 2015 at approximately 1:45 a.m. in the 800 block of N. State Street. An Action K9 Security Agent observed Sparks smoking inside a CTA railcar. The agent observed that Sparks also matched the description of a wanted criminal sexual assault offender from May 10, 2015 at 5:00 a.m. Sparks was detained until Chicago Police arrived. Sparks was identified as the offender who attacked a 27 year old female CTA passenger on a southbound Red Line train. Sparks was arrested and charged accordingly. No further information is available at this time.

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