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Investigators Arrest Bank Robbery Suspect

LAKE FOREST, Ca. (Dec. 13, 2024): On Friday, Dec. 13, 2024, Orange County Sheriff's investigators arrested Edward Eugene Redd, 49, of Lake Forest, on suspicion of robbing a Chase Bank and discharging a firearm during the incident. The robbery occurred on Oct. 17, 2024, at the Chase Bank near Portola Parkway and Bake Parkway in the city of Lake Forest.

During the initial investigation, several items believed to be connected to the robbery were located at the scene and were collected as evidence. Using investigative techniques and DNA technology, investigators were able to link those items to Redd.

On Dec. 13, at about 4 a.m., Redd was arrested by the Orange County Sheriff's Southeast Investigations and the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team members at his residence in Lake Forest without incident. Redd was booked into the Orange County Jail on suspicion of violating CPC 245(a)(1) – assault with a deadly weapon and CPC 211 – robbery.

At this time, Redd has not been connected to any other bank robberies, but the investigation is ongoing. Anyone with additional information is asked to call the Orange County Sheriff's Department at (714) 647-7000. Anonymous tips may also be submitted to Orange County Crime Stoppers at 855-TIP-OCCS (855-847-6227) or at occrimestoppers.org.

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