

# NEW BEDFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**For Immediate Release**

**Tuesday, November 6, 2007**

**Lieutenant Jeffrey P. Silva**

**See Also: 2007-20249**

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### WALGREEN'S ROBBER CAPTURED

**New Bedford, Massachusetts** – On Tuesday, November 6, 2007 just after 6:00 A.M., Detective Andrew Simmons and members of the New Bedford Police Department along with Massachusetts State Trooper David Reis (*a former Marion, then a New Bedford Police officer*) and members of the Massachusetts State Police Violent Fugitive Apprehension Section (MSP VFAS) converged on 9 Bedford Street in New Bedford and captured Michael Patrick HAMMERLE (DOB: 03/06/1964).

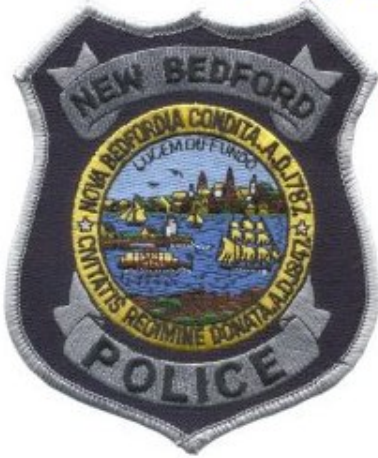
HAMMERLE was identified as the knife-wielding robber that rushed into the Walgreen's Pharmacy located at 1091 Kempton Street in New Bedford on October 29, 2007 just after 1:00 A.M. and stole the cash register drawer before fleeing on foot into the surrounding neighborhood. HAMMERLE was also wanted for questioning by the Dartmouth Police Department for the robbery of the Bliss Express Gas Station on Dartmouth Street in Dartmouth that occurred on October 28, 2007 just after 7:00 A.M.

Just (1) day after obtaining an arrest warrant and just over (1) week after the robbery was committed, New Bedford Police Detective Andrew Simmons identified HAMMERLE as the robber, obtained a warrant for HAMMERLE's arrest and took him into custody without incident along with the members of the MSP VFAS.

HAMMERLE was arraigned today in New Bedford 3<sup>rd</sup> District Court and was ordered held on \$75,000.00 CASH BAIL. HAMMERLE, who was considered armed and dangerous while at large, remains in custody at the Bristol County House of Correction in Dartmouth, Massachusetts.

HAMMERLE's arrest just (1) day after his arrest warrant was issued is another example of the joint efforts of the New Bedford Police Department and the Massachusetts State Police Violent Fugitive Apprehension Section that has resulted in yet another dangerous suspect being taken off the streets of our community.

# New Bedford Police Department



## WANTED



If Located  
VERIFY  
Warrant in  
WMS

**CAPTURED**

Time of Photo: 11/3/2007 1:32:00

PERSONS FILE NO: **084743** **HAMMERLE, MICHAEL PATRICK** **DOB 03/06/1964**

Last Known Address: **858 MIDDLE ST. FALL RIVER MA**

SEX: **MALE** RACE: **WHITE** HGT: **68** inches WGT: **170** lbs AGE: **43**

SSN#: **025-58-9328** HAIR: **BROWN** EYES: **BLUE** BUILD:

**Wanted for ARMED ROBBERY of  
Walgreen's Pharmacy on 10/29/2007  
Pending Issuance of Arrest Warrants  
If located please contact Detective Division  
Detective Andrew R. Simmons**