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Press Release

Today's Date:	August 3, 2009
Date & Time Occurred:	August 3, 2009 12:21 p.m.
Submitted By:	Lieutenant Randy Weaver
Phone:	707-449-5457
Case Number	
Type of Crime/Incident:	Armed Bank Robbery
Location:	Bank of America 688 Elmira Road
Suspects:	Lester Jackson - 19 year old Vallejo resident Juvenile - 16 year old American Canyon resident

Narrative:

This afternoon at 12:21 p.m., two masked men entered the Bank of America lobby at 688 Elmira Road with handguns and proceeded to order everyone to the ground. There were customers inside the bank at the time. One of the suspects held the employees and customers at gun-point, while the other vaulted the counter and stole money from the bank drawers. Both suspects fled the bank. Employees from the bank alerted Police. The suspects ran across the parking lot and entered the frontdoor of another business, ran through the business, and out the back door into the rear parking area. The suspects jumped over a wall and ran into a residential neighborhood East of the business complex. There, they entered a black Mustang and drove away. A witness in the area spotted the vehicle and gave an excellent description to arriving Police Officers.

A few minutes after the robbery, the Mustang was spotted by a Police Officer driving a few miles from the scene with one of the occupants hunched down in the seat. The Officer followed the Mustang into the residential area in North Vacaville and attempted to make a stop of the vehicle. The occupants refused to stop and drove onto Highway I-8 0 West bound. Now, several police vehicles were pursuing. The Mustang accelerated to speeds of over 100 miles per hours. Officers were forced to drive more prudently on the freeway and lost contact with the vehicle near Davis Street. A search for the vehicle started on Alamo Drive and Davis Street.

The vehicle was located within a few minutes parked and unoccupied at the Davis Street Park and Ride. The suspects were spotted running in the area and were arrested. Allied agencies from CHP and Solano County assisted in the search efforts along with CHP aircraft.

The case remains under investigation with suspects being booked at Solano County Jail and the juvenile at Juvenile Hall.