

HARLINGEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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HONOR ◊ COURAGE ◊ INTEGRITY



Richard Pina
Age 35
Mart, Texas Resident

At approximately 11:10pm on June 24, 2015, a Uniformed Harlingen Police Officer stopped a Black 2006 Ford F-250 on about the 4400 block of S. Expressway 77 for a traffic violation (improper turn). The Officer made contact with the male driver, identified as Richard Pina. During the contact Pina displayed signs of intoxication (slurred speech, red blood-shot eyes, and had an odor of alcohol emitting from his breath). Pina refused to submit to the standardized field sobriety tests. Pina was placed under arrest for suspicion of Driving While Intoxicated. Pina refused to provide a breath sample and was transported to the hospital for a blood draw pending a search warrant reviewed and signed by a Judge, as per HPD's "No Refusal" policy.

*The Harlingen Police Department's core values begin with our respect for life. We revere the truth and strive to affectively enforce the law with the assistance of our community. The Harlingen Police Department takes suspected incidents of drunken driving very seriously, as a primary goal is the protection of life. H.P.D. encourages community members to notify the local law enforcement agencies of any incidents of driving while intoxicated. When possible the caller should attempt to provide accurate details of the incident, to include description of vehicle, license plate information if possible, description of the driver, and last know location and direction of travel. Anyone with information may call the following numbers to report possible Intoxicated drivers; Police communications at (956)216-5940 or H.P.D. Front desk Supervisor at (956)216-5401. **Note** * Arrestees are innocent until proven guilty in a Court of Law...*

MAGISTRATION:

OFFENSE	LEVEL	BAIL/BOND
DWI 3 rd or More	3 rd Degree Felony	\$20,000.00



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