

## **D'WAN 'S MOM GUILTY IN ASSAULT SHE WAS JAILED FOR THREATENING SPOUSE**

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The mother of **D'Wan Sims**, the 4-year-old boy whose reported disappearance at a Livonia shopping mall sparked an ongoing nationwide search, was released from jail Tuesday after she threatened her husband with two kitchen knives during a domestic dispute.

Dwanna Jackson, 27, pleaded guilty Monday in 18th District Court to the assault of her spouse, Victor Jackson, in their Westland apartment. A sentencing date on the misdemeanor was not set. She faces a maximum sentence of 90 days in jail and a \$500 fine. Dwanna Jackson, formerly Dwanna Harris, argued with her husband Sunday night because he had taken his child from a previous relationship shopping without taking their 5-month-old daughter along, Westland Detective Sgt. Scott Fetner said Tuesday.

Police responded to Victor Jackson's call for help at 11:12 p.m. and arrested Dwanna Jackson. The Jacksons could not be reached Tuesday for comment.

Dwanna Jackson reported **D'Wan Sims** missing from the Wonderland Mall in Livonia on Dec. 11, 1994. She said she noticed the boy was gone after she went through Target toward the food court.

Mall surveillance tapes show no signs of **D'Wan**, police said.

Police have received nearly 1,300 tips, but the boy has not been found. News of Jackson's arrest prompted three more tips Tuesday, Livonia Detective Sgt. Ken Marlow said. None panned out.

Marlow said he visited the Jacksons and their daughter, Victoria Christine, three weeks ago to show them a picture turned in by a woman in Tulsa, Okla., who wrongly thought it was **D'Wan**.

"Everybody was doing fine," Marlow said. "They have a nice baby."

The woman had seen **D'Wan** featured in a national campaign seeking clues on the whereabouts of missing and exploited children.

On Tuesday afternoon, Dwanna Jackson posted \$1,000 of a \$10,000 bond set by Westland Judge Gail McKnight and left the Wayne County jail in Hamtramck, where she had been transferred Monday night.

Marlow said he has not talked with Westland police about her arrest.

"What she does in Westland is not relevant" to the **D'Wan Sims** case, Marlow said. "It's apples and oranges."

Anyone with information about the **D'Wan Sims** case can contact Livonia police at 1-313-421-1920 anytime.

Staff writer Tina Lam contributed to this report.

Caption: Photo

: Dwanna Jackson, whose son vanished on Dec. 11, 1994, was arrested in a domestic fight.

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