



## **Banning Police Department**

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### *Press Release*

**Date:** June 14, 2010

Case #10-2172

**Location:** Intersection of Gilman Street and Florida Street, Banning

**Incident:** Strong Arm Robbery

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On 6-11-10, about 10:30 P.M., Banning Police Officers responded to a report of a strong arm robbery in the area of Gilman Street and Florida Street, Banning. The victim reported that two Black males pulled up to him, exited their vehicle and assaulted him with their fists and a rock. After the suspects beat the victim, they stole his wallet and cellular phone and fled in their vehicle.

A Riverside County Sheriff's Deputy observed a similar vehicle described by the victim that was occupied by two Black males earlier in the evening and was able to provide the license plate number to our officers. This information was obtained and a search for the vehicle was conducted.

On 6-12-10, about 1:20 A.M., Banning Police Officers located the vehicle and two Black male adults who occupied the vehicle. The two males were identified as Lonnie Walton, age 19 of Banning, and Richard Henderson, age 19 of Banning. The victim positively identified Walton and Henderson as the suspects that robbed and beat him. Walton and Henderson still possessed the victim's cellular phone at the time of their arrest.

Walton and Henderson were both arrested for 211 PC, Robbery, and 245 PC, Assault with a Deadly Weapon, and booked at the Larry D. Smith Correctional Facility. The victim sustained moderate injuries to his face, head and chest, but did not want to seek medical attention.

Any information or inquiries: Banning Police Department, (951) 849-1511