

# Portsmouth Police Department

## Press Release

Date of Release: January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Reference: Miranda Rifenburgh (9/30/86) Arrested

On January 30, 2012 Miranda Rifenburgh was arrested and charged with 3 counts of Endangering the Welfare of a Minor after she turned herself in to Portsmouth Police. She was taken into custody at the Portsmouth Police Department.

Rifenburgh was charged after police were called to her residence on January 14, 2012 after the father of their 3 children reported that Rifenburgh had sent him a text message indicating she was leaving him and the children. The father returned home to find the 3 children alone and Rifenburgh gone. All attempts to locate Rifenburgh were unsuccessful until January 27<sup>th</sup> when Portsmouth Police detectives made contact with her by phone. Rifenburgh told detectives that she was going to turn herself in.

Rifenburgh was processed at Portsmouth Police headquarters and bailed. Bail was set at \$15,000 Personal Recognizance and an arraignment date was set for March 19, 2012. Rifenburgh was also ordered to have no contact with her children or the children's father.

The Portsmouth Police Department is grateful for media and public assistance in helping to locate Rifenburgh.

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