

Malone Police Officer Injured in Altercation

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Malone Village Police Officer Nate Preve is off duty for now following an incident on Saturday.

Officer Preve spotted James R. Fisher, 25, of Malone on Saturday and attempted to arrest Fisher on several outstanding warrants. Fisher resisted arrest and a scuffle ensued,

resulting in an injury to the officer's left ankle that will take him off duty for now, according to village police. Preve is expected to make a full recovery.

Fisher was subsequently charged with resisting arrest and second-degree attempted assault. He was arraigned before Malone Justice

Michael Lamitie and remanded to Franklin County Jail in lieu of \$5,000 bail.

This is not the first on-the-job injury for Preve. On Aug. 4, he was dragged by a vehicle following a routine traffic stop. Preve had pulled over Jeffrey M. Durbin on Fort Covington Street in Malone for suspi-

cion of driving while intoxicated. Durbin then attempted to illegally drive away from the scene. When he did so, he dragged Officer Preve with him. Preve was dragged a short distance before he could separate himself from the moving vehicle. He sustained injuries to his left hand and right knee, was treated at the Al-

ice Hyde Medical Center in Malone, and released. Durbin, 34, of Fort Covington was apprehended a short time later and charged with driving while intoxicated, first-degree reckless endangerment, resisting arrest, fleeing an officer in a motor vehicle, reckless driving, and third-degree assault.