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Be Careful Who You Flip Off On The Freeway

Milwaukee, WI – At 10:45 a.m. today, a motorist ignored proper lane signage to an on-ramp to I-43 southbound near North Avenue, and sped past other drivers. The 49-year-old female driver likely regrets her next action, which was to extend her middle finger out her window, not briefly, but for a significant period of time – at Sheriff David A. Clarke Jr.

Sheriff Clarke activated his unmarked squad's lights, pulled the driver over and found that she was driving with a suspended license. When Sheriff Clarke approached, she immediately recognized him, said she was in a hurry and apologized for her actions, indicating that if she had known it was him she wouldn't have done it. The sheriff replied, "You shouldn't have done that to anybody."

The driver received citations for Operating While Suspended – 343.44(1)(a) and Reckless Endangering Safety – 346.62(2). She was arrested on a warrant for OWS.

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