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### **Inmate Attacks Correctional Officer in Jail**



**Milwaukee, WI** – Yesterday, a correctional officer, while assigned to a housing unit within the Milwaukee County Jail, was suddenly attacked and choked by inmate Kervin Pierce, age 25, of Milwaukee.

Pierce threw the correctional officer to the ground and continued to choke the correctional officer until three other inmates came to the aide of the correctional officer. The three inmates subdued Pierce until other correctional officers arrived on scene. The attack lasted approximately 15 seconds.

Pierce is currently in custody on charges of:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Intentional Homicide, Use of a Dangerous Weapon. If convicted, Pierce faces a sentence of Life Imprisonment.
- Attempted 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Intentional Homicide, Use of a Dangerous Weapon. If convicted, Pierce faces a maximum 60 years imprisonment.
- Strangulation and Suffocation. If convicted, Pierce faces a maximum 10 years imprisonment.

Today, Pierce was charged by the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office an additional charge of Battery by Prisoner, which is related to this incident. If convicted, Pierce faces an additional 6 years maximum imprisonment.

No other information is being released at this time.

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