



# VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

*Jason Salazar, Chief of Police*

Sergeant Damon Maurice, Public Information Officer  
(559) 713-4216 (office) / (559) 713-4807 (fax)  
damon.maurice@visalia.city

**\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\***  
**May 17, 2017**

**VPD Report Number:** 17-38789

**Date/Time Occurred:** 5/17/17 1030 hours

**Type of Incident:**

- Possession of Methamphetamine for sale
- Felon in possession of a firearm
- Felon in possession of ammunition
- Sales of narcotics while armed

**Location:** 1100 block of W. Clinton Ave.

**Name of Business (if applicable):**

**Suspect:**

**Age:**

**Arrested:**

1. Ricky Ortega
- 2.
- 3.

31

Yes

**Details:** On 5/17/17 at 1030 hours the Visalia Police Department Special Enforcement Unit assisted by members of the Narcotics Unit served a search warrant in the 1100 block of W. Clinton Ave. There officers located ½ ounce of Methamphetamine, two loaded firearms, packaging materials and a scale. Suspect Ortega was booked into the Tulare county Pretrial Facility for the following charges:

- Felon in possession of a firearm
- Felon in possession of ammunition
- Possession of Methamphetamine with the intent to sell
- Sales of narcotics while armed

**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** Special Enforcement Unit

**Supervisor:** Sgt. S. Scofield

