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\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\* November 9, 2022

**Date/Time Occurred:** November 9, 2022 / 11:00 am VPD Report Number: 22-096536

**Type of Incident:** Narcotics Sales, Possession of an Assault Weapon, Felon in Possession of a Firearm,

Felon in Possession of Ammunition

Name of Business (if applicable):

N/A

**Suspect: Arrested:** Steven Escalera Yes

## **Details:**

On November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 11:00 am, members of the Special Enforcement Unit contacted Suspect Steven Escalera on a traffic stop in the area of Willis Steet and Grove Avenue. Officers found Escalera to be in possession of an amount of narcotics consistent with sales. The Narcotics Unit and the Special Enforcement Unit then served a search warrant at Escalera's residence in the 800 block of North Conyer. Detectives located 2 unregistered firearms, an assault weapon and ammunition. Additional narcotics and evidence of narcotics sales was located within the residence. Suspect Steven Escalera was arrested for various weapons and narcotics charges as well as an unrelated arrest warrant for narcotics sales.

**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** 

Narcotics Unit / Special Enforcement Unit

**Supervisor:** Sgt. S. O'Rafferty

Location: 800 Block of North Conyer, Visalia

