



RUTLAND TOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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October 2nd, 2026

Rutland Town Police Department Press Release

CASE#: 26RT001402
RANK / FULL NAME: Deputy Chief Jimmy Plakas
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DATE/TIME: September 17th, 2026 – 1828 hours
INCIDENT LOCATION: Hannaford Supermarket, 318 US Route 7S, Rutland Town, VT 05701
VIOLATION: Retail Theft

ACCUSED: John J. Pandiani
AGE: 54
CITY, STATE OF RESIDENCE: Rutland City, VT 05701

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT: On September 17th, 2026, Officers with the Rutland Town Police Department were notified of a retail theft that had occurred at Hannaford Supermarket in Rutland Town. Information received at that time indicated that John J. Pandiani, 54, of Rutland City, stole merchandise from Hannaford Supermarket.

Subsequent investigation revealed that Pandiani departed the store with merchandise he did not render payment for.

On October 1st, 2026, Pandiani was located by Officers with the Rutland Town Police Department, during which time he was issued a citation to appear in Vermont Superior Court Rutland Criminal Division to answer for the charge of retail theft.

COURT ACTION: Yes
COURT DATE/TIME: October 19th, 2026 – 1000 hours
COURT: Vermont Superior Court Rutland Criminal Division
BAIL: N/A
LODGED: N/A