

Adair County Sheriff's deputy arrested in connection with shooting in Lincoln

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WASHINGTON COUNTY, Ark. —

An Adair County Sheriff's deputy was arrested Friday in connection with a shooting earlier in September, according to Washington County Prosecutor Matt Durrett.

According to Durrett, Travis Adams was arrested Friday night and is facing charges of aggravated assault and 1st degree battery.

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[Video from the Washington County Sheriff's Office shows the off-duty deputy, Adams, arguing with Justin Hellyer on a property on Pleasant Hill Road in Lincoln.](#)

Adams is armed in the video, and Hellyer is not.

At one point, the argument turns physical. That's when investigators say Hellyer was shot.

Hellyer was taken to the hospital where he underwent multiple surgeries and had to stay in the intensive care unit.

Adair County Sheriff Jason Ritchie said Adams was a former jailer and reserve deputy who is now in training to become a full-time, certified law enforcement officer.

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