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Ashland Police identify and charge a suspect in the November 15, 2007 robbery of the Hampton Inn hotel, located in the 700 block of England Street.

The Ashland Police Department has arrested a subject in connection with the robbery of the Hampton Inn hotel on November 15, 2007. The subject is identified as Adam Lee Blain, a 31 year-old male from the 1400 block of Caroline Street in Fredericksburg, Virginia. The suspect was identified after being arrested in Fairfax County for similar crimes.

Blain has been charged with robbery and grand larceny in connection with this case and is currently incarcerated in the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. He has also been charged with similar crimes in other jurisdictions throughout Virginia.

We would like to thank the community and media for all of their assistance in helping to solve this crime. If you have any questions, please contact the Ashland Police Department at (804) 798-1227.

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At 10:45 pm, an unknown male subject entered the lobby of the Hampton Inn hotel and held a brief conversation with the clerk and then left. Several minutes later, the suspect returned to the lobby of the hotel and demanded money from the clerk. The subject kept his hand in his jacket pocket and acted as if he had a handgun. The suspect removed money from the clerk's register, told the clerk to lie down on the ground and left the hotel without any further incident. The suspect fled in an unknown direction with an undisclosed amount of money.