Man adds a seventh DWI to his rap sheet

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Hansen Clark nearly caused a wreck, prompting the driver of that vehicle to call the police.

Gallup Police Department Officer Steven Peshlakai caught up with Clark as he headed north on Arnold Street. Peshlakai followed Clark for a short distance, noting that he was averaging speeds of 30 to 40 miles per hour in a 45-m.p.h. speed zone.

Peshlakai signaled for Clark to pullover near 2111 W. Highway 66.

When he approached Clark, sitting in his dark blue Chevy Trailblazer, Peshlakai noted that he had "a flushed look to his face and that his eyes dropped very low."

The officer asked for his driver's license and paperwork, but Clark failed to respond, he just waved his hands over his lap.

"I don't know that gesture," Peshlakai noted in his report. He also told the officer that he was "elderly."

Clark, 54, smelled of alcohol, and had bloodshot watery eyes, the report states.

He admitted to having two cans of Bud Light three hours prior to being pulled over, and he didn't fare well on the field sobriety tests. Peshlakai noticed an empty can of "Camo" beer and an empty can of Milwaukee's Best Beer in the vehicle.

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Since he already had a felony DWI on his record, Peshlakai asked Clark would consent to a blood test, which he agreed to. The results of the test were not stated in the report, as it takes several weeks for police to receive the results.

Clark was booked for his seventh DWI and was also cited for open container and other driving infractions.

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