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On Thursday morning at approximately 1:42 a.m., deputies were dispatched to 476 Lower Woodville Rd. in reference to a prowler attempting to break into a residence. Deputies made contact with the complainant who said he observed a slim black male dressed in all black attempting to make entry into his neighbor's residence. The complainant said the offender walked over to his residence and began snooping around his shed. The complainant fired three shots at the offender as he fled down the hill into a bayou behind the residence. The victim approached deputies and said someone had broken into her residence. Corporal Dustin Smith arrived on the scene and with the use of FLIR (forward-looking infrared) binoculars observed a heat signature approximately 30 yards below the residence. The suspect was located lying in a patch of weeds and placed in custody. The suspect identified himself as Joseph McGowan and was transported to the ACSO jail without incident.