## Man Hit Pregnant Wife With McChicken Sandwich: Police

A man accused of using a McDonald's McChicken sandwich to hit his pregnant wife is facing a domestic violence charge.

Moody foody Marvin Tramaine Hill II, 21, told police in Des Moines, Iowa, that he threw the breaded chicken sandwich at his wife "because he doesn't like them." According to *The Des Moines Register*, Hill claims that his wife was actually the one who assaulted him.

Is the McChicken now the official sandwich of domestic squabbles?

## Suspect Wasn't 'Lovin' It'

As with many domestic violence cases, Des Moines police are contending with two versions of the ill-fated food fight. Hill's pregnant wife claims that he used the McChicken sandwich "as a weapon," forcefully smashing the bun into her face and leaving her covered in mayonnaise, reports the *Register*.

Hill told a slightly different story to the arresting officers. He admitted to throwing the unacceptable sandwich at his wife when she woke him up (it doesn't even have pickles), but painted the story more like a playful argument than domestic abuse.

For their part, officers noticed Hill's wife's nose was swollen, which may indicate something harder than a bun hit her.

## 'Simple' Domestic Assault

Hill was booked into Polk County Jail on Tuesday afternoon on suspicion of assault -- more specifically, "simple" domestic abuse. Iowa isn't alone in differentiating assaults between "simple" and "aggravated" or "serious." In Hill's case, his alleged assault on his pregnant wife may be considered a simple assault because, under Iowa law, there was probably no bodily injury or mental illness caused by his McChicken melee.

That doesn't mean that Hill is off the hook. Even a first-time simple domestic assault -- which can be classified as a simple misdemeanor -- is punishable by up to 30 days in jail and a fine of \$625. That's up to 625 McChickens (without tax of course).

## No Bail

The Polk County Jail's inmate records show that Hill is being held in custody on no bond, meaning he doesn't currently have the ability to bail himself out. Judges may impose no bond for serious crimes (like murder) or in cases where suspects have violated court orders or skipped bail.

Perhaps this isn't the first time the Hill has run afoul of the law, which may mean he'll probably be in custody until his arraignment. And the food is probably much worse than McDonald's.

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