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Ricky L. Smith

FALCON investigators arrested Smith June 20 in rural Cheatham County, Tenn. Authorities in Tennessee wanted Smith for parole violation related to a conviction for aggravated assault. FALCON investigators developed information on Smith's location, responded to that site and observed Smith's front door had been left open. Investigators announced their presence and purpose, entered the home and began to search for Smith. While conducting the search, investigators observed numerous firearms in plain view. Investigators secured the residence pending the issuance of a search warrant. As officers secured the home, Smith returned and gave his consent for investigators to search the remainder of the home. In total, FALCON investigators seized 46 stolen firearms from Smith's home. This included 28 rifles and shotguns, as well as 18 handguns. Investigators also seized 2 stolen all-terrain vehicles. Smith has an extensive prior criminal history of convictions for trafficking marijuana, child abuse and aggravated assault.