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MEDIA RELEASE UPDATE

UPDATE: MISSING PERSONS INVESTIGATION

Bradley County, TN – (July 22, 2026) The Bradley County Sheriff's Office is providing an update regarding the missing persons investigation involving Jhovana Short and her two daughters, Madison Scoggins and Greigh Short, originally reported in May 2025.

Following the initial report, Jhovana Short and her daughters were located safely in Canada. The family later returned to the area in anticipation of potential upcoming civil court proceedings, at which time Ms. Short was taken into custody for contempt of court.

The children remain safe and are currently with family members.

Due to ongoing civil court proceedings, this is all of the information the Bradley County Sheriff's Office is able to release regarding this matter at this time.

The Bradley County Sheriff's Office appreciates the public's concern and assistance throughout this matter.

About BCSO

The Bradley County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) is a law enforcement agency serving all residents of Bradley County, Tennessee. The elected sheriff is Steve Lawson, who has held the post since September 2018. John Stone is the current chief deputy. BCSO is located at 2290 Blythe Avenue SE, Cleveland, TN 37311 and can be reached at 423-728-7300 for non-emergency calls.
