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MAYS LANDING— Authorities are searching for a suspect who burglarized a residence in Somers Point early Tuesday morning and sexually assaulted, beat and robbed an elderly woman, Atlantic County Prosecutor Ted Housel announced.

Somers Point Police responded to a home on Cedar Avenue at 5:30 a.m. this morning for a 911 call that a woman was attacked in her home. The victim, whose name is not being released due to the nature of the crime, was taken by ambulance to Shore Memorial Hospital. The suspect, described as a thin, black male, wearing a grey shirt and blue jeans, entered the home through an unlocked window sometime after 1:30 a.m. The victim awoke when she heard an item fall in her living room. She entered the living room to investigate and encountered her attacker, Prosecutor Housel said.

The suspect stole money from the victim and other items in the household.

Anyone with information involving this crime is asked to call the Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office at 609-909-7800 or go to the Prosecutor's Office Web site at <http://www.acpo.org/tips.html> and provide information by filling out the form anonymously on the Submit a Tip page. People may also contact the Somers Point Police Department at 609-927-6161 or can Crime Stoppers at 609-652-1234 or 1-800-658-8477 (TIPS) or visit the Crime Stoppers Website at <http://www.crimestoppersatlantic.com/>. Crime Stoppers offers cash rewards for information leading to the arrest and indictment of those who commit crimes in Atlantic County.