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On Thursday, June 18, 2009 at approximately 3:20 p.m. a woman was robbed by a man posing as a police officer after he conducted a 'traffic stop' on Mount Zion Road near Union, Kentucky.

Rachel Ross, 31 of Independence, Kentucky claims she had just traveled through the intersection of Mount Zion and Gunpowder Roads near Union, Kentucky going eastbound on Mount Zion Road in a white Toyota Camry when she was stopped by a black Ford Crown Victoria with tinted windows and red and blue lights in the grill and on the dash of the car. She pulled over on a side street (Duncan Drive) and was approached by a white man described as approximately 5'10", weighing180 to 190 pounds with short dark hair wearing a dark suit with a purple tie. As he approached her car on foot Ross said he displayed a black handgun and ordered her to give him her purse. He removed the wallet and the cash therein before returning both of them to her and then going back to his car and backing out onto Mount Zion Road and headed east (toward I-75). Ross drove home before notifying authorities.

This is a highly traveled intersection so investigators are asking anyone who drove through that area at about that time and could have witnessed any part of this incident – from the initial stop, to the man's approach, to the car backing back out onto Mount Zion – to please call Crime Stoppers at (513) 352-3040 or the Boone County Sheriff's Department at (859) 334-2175 and provide information to aid in solving this robbery.

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