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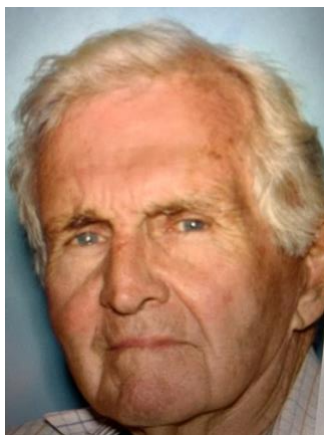
CANDLER COUNTY COUPLE CHARGED WITH INSURANCE FRAUD

ATLANTA – On July 1, warrants were taken out on Earl Lynn Driggers, 85, and Julia Ann Driggers, 62, of Candler County, for Insurance Fraud. They turned themselves in to the Candler County Sheriff's Office and were released on bond.

According to the warrants, the individuals in question unlawfully made fraudulent representations of fact in the filing of an insurance claim related to a fire that destroyed their home at 1918 Hwy 129 near Cobbtown on January 26, 2020. The filing claimed the couple had lost \$114,902 worth of personal property in the fire.

“These two individuals are accused of attempting to steal money from their insurance company through deception, which in turn drives insurance rates up for all Georgians,” said Commissioner John F. King. “Additionally, the cause of the fire itself is still under investigation. **If you have any information, please call my Fire Investigations Unit at 1-800-282-5804.**”

Investigators with the Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner's Office assisted the Candler County Sheriff's Office with this investigation.



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The mission of the Office of the Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner is to protect Georgia families by providing access to vital insurance products and safe buildings through fair regulation that creates economic opportunities for all Georgians.