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JEFFERSON COUNTY MAN ARRESTED FOR ARSON, TERRORISTIC THREATS

ATLANTA – On May 13, Investigators with the Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner’s Office assisted with the arrest of Daniel Roy Brown, 36, of Matthews, Georgia, for one count of Arson in the Second Degree and one count of Terroristic Threats. The charges stem from his alleged involvement in a domestic dispute on May 11, followed by an intentionally-set vehicle fire off of Old Warrenton Road in Matthews on May 12. Brown is currently in the Jefferson County Jail.

On May 11, shortly before 9:00 P.M., Brown was involved in a domestic dispute that resulted in authorities being called to the residence. However, he fled the scene before they arrived. One day later, on the night of May 12, Brown allegedly came back to the residence and stole a Gold 2010 Chevrolet S-10 truck. A short time later, the vehicle fire off of Old Warrenton Road was reported by Brown himself. On the evening of May 13, he was located at a nearby hotel and arrested by the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office.

“This man is accused of committing several very serious crimes during the events that occurred on May 11 and May 12,” said Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner John F. King. “On behalf of the agency, I would like to say thank you to the local law enforcement professionals that assisted with apprehending this individual. From the original fire investigation to the ensuing interviews, the collaboration between local and state investigators played a significant role in making this arrest.”

Commissioner King’s Fire Investigations Unit assisted the City of Wrens Fire Department and the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office with the investigation. Second Degree Arson is a felony punishable by a fine of no more than \$25,000 or by a prison term between one and 10 years, or both.

There have been 36 individuals arrested with the assistance of Commissioner King’s Fire Investigations Unit in 2020.



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