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MERIWETHER COUNTY WOMAN ARRESTED FOR ARSON

ATLANTA – Around 12:30 P.M. on Friday, August 2, Woodbury Police Department responded to a structure fire located at 333 Garry Kendrick Drive in Woodbury, Georgia. As a result, Victoria Denise Kendrick, 28, of Manchester, Georgia, was arrested by Woodbury Police Department on August 13 and charged with 1 Count of First Degree Arson, 1 Count of Criminal Trespass, 1 Count of Disorderly Conduct, and 1 Count of Making Terroristic Threats.

"I would like to applaud the investigators in my office and the City of Woodbury Police Department for their hard work on this incident," said Safety Fire Commissioner John F. King. "An arrest this soon after the crime was committed would not have been possible without the close coordination between our agencies."

Further investigation revealed that multiple fires were set to the 67-year-old, 672 square-foot structure. The fires caused minimal damage to the building. Though Kendrick was arrested on August 13, she has not bonded out and currently sits in Meriwether County Jail. She appeared in Meriwether County Superior Court on September 17.

Investigators with the Safety Fire Commissioner's Office are assisting the City of Woodbury Police Department with this investigation.

First Degree Arson is a felony punishable by a fine of no more than \$50,000 or by a prison term between one and twenty years, or both.



