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RICHMOND COUNTY MAN ARRESTED FOR ARSON

ATLANTA – Investigators with the Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner’s Office recently assisted with the arrest of Robert Lee Marion, 60, of Augusta, Georgia, for one count of Arson in the First Degree and one Count of Burglary in the First Degree. The charges stem from his alleged involvement in setting fire to a bedroom in an apartment complex located off of Fayetteville Drive in Augusta on April 8. Marion was already in the Charles B. Webster Detention Center facing separate charges when the Arson and Burglary charges were brought forth against him.

“The suspect allegedly broke into the second-floor apartment and set the fire in one of the bedrooms. The apartments on the first floor of the complex suffered water damage while the second-floor adjacent apartments suffered moderate smoke damage,” said Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner John F. King. “Marion remains in the Charles B. Webster Detention Center awaiting a bond hearing.”

Investigators with the Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner’s Office assisted the City of Augusta Fire Department and the Richmond County Sheriff’s Office with this investigation.

First Degree Arson is a felony punishable by a fine of no more than \$25,000 or by a prison term between one and ten years, or both.

The arrest brings the total number of individuals arrested with the assistance of the State’s Fire Investigations Unit in 2020 to twenty-seven.



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