



INCIDENT: 1st Degree Arson

LOCATION: 16312 Pewter Lane, Bowie, Maryland, 20716 LOCATION TYPE: Townhouse

DATE & TIME OF INCIDENT: 07/05/2013 / 2025 Hrs

SYNOPSIS OF INCIDENT: On July 5, 2013 at 2025 hours, Bowie Officers responded to 16312 Pewter Lane for a report of a disorderly subject who was threatening to burn the house down. The call stated that the homeowner's son called police after the arrested called him and stated that he was going to burn the home down. Once Officers arrived on scene, they attempted to make contact with anyone inside by knocking on both the front and rear doors with negative results. The Officers then returned to the front of the home where they observed a flickering light growing more intense in the upstairs window. The Officers immediately recognized this as a growing fire and also observed movement in the upstairs window. At this time, citizens who were outside observing the scene advised officers that they believed someone was inside the home. The Officers then immediately forced entry into the home in an attempt to rescue the potentially trapped individual. Upon forcing entry, the Officers heard a male state "I'm right here Officers and I don't have a weapon." The Officers ordered the individual multiple times to come to them. The commands were ignored. The individual then began to slowly move toward the front door where he was escorted outside by the Officers. Further investigation revealed that the individual was the suspect who stated that he was going to burn the house down and he was immediately taken into custody. The Prince George's County Fire Department then arrived on scene, extinguished the fire and determined that there was no one else inside the home. Fire investigators Sgt. Norris #2697 and Det. Cummings #3430 arrived on scene and conducted further investigations. The suspect was transported to the Bowie Health Center to be treated for any potential injuries. He was then transported to the Upper Marlboro Department of Corrections. Det. Cummings is the charging officer for his incident. Nothing further.

SUSPECT DESCRIPTION / ARRESTED: Elijah Karriem Shahid, M/40 years/Bowie Resident

VICTIM: F/53 yrs – Bowie Resident

PROPERTY DAMAGE: Fire damage to upper level of home

ADMINISTRATION:

REPORTING OFFICER: PFC GONZALEZ 0049

SUPERVISOR ON SCENE: SGT STAN LEY 0016

Commander Notified: Lt. Knott At 2100 Hrs

OTHER COMMAND NOTIFICATIONS: _____

RESPONDING DIVISIONS: _____

INVESTIGATION ASSIGNED TO: _____

APPROVED FOR MEDIA RELEASE? _____ MEDIA NOTIFIED? _____

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