

Phoenix Police Department

Public Affairs Bureau 620 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85003



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: October 24, 2024, around 12:38 a.m.

Incident: 2024-1568552

Location: 3900 North 7th Avenue

Suspect: Dieter Bradford Klofkorn, 35-year-old, MCSO Booking #G136507

Suspect Arrested After Arson at US Postal Office

(October 24, 2024) The Phoenix Fire Department's Arson Investigation Taskforce, which includes assets from the Phoenix Police Department and the Phoenix Fire Department, have arrested a man in connection with the arson of a free-standing mailbox at a US Postal Office.

On October 24, 2024, shortly after 1:00 a.m., the Phoenix Police Department was contacted by the Phoenix Fire Department after they responded to a fire of a mailbox at a US Postal Office in the area of 3900 North 7th Avenue. Due to the possibility of this being an arson, the Phoenix Fire Department's Arson Investigation Taskforce was contacted, and they assumed the investigation. The scene was processed, to include locating nearby relevant surveillance footage.

Once the scene investigation was complete, investigators began to work on leads. This led them to a possible suspect identified as 35-year-old Dieter Klofkorn. Klofkorn was located and arrested for an outstanding and unrelated arrest warrant. While in custody, he was interviewed about his involvement in the arson. Klofkorn admitted to committing the arson. Klofkorn stated that he committed the arson because he wanted to be arrested and that his actions were not politically motivated and not related to anything involving the upcoming election.

Klofkorn was booked into jail on one felony count of Arson of Property. Additional details about this incident remain part of the ongoing investigation.

Sergeant Rob Scherer Public Affairs Bureau