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Orofino Man Sentenced for First-Degree Arson in 2023 Tri-Plex Fire

BOISE, ID (May 4, 2026) – The Idaho Department of Insurance, State Fire Marshal’s Office, announced today that Casey Lane Heath has been sentenced after pleading guilty to Arson in the First Degree for intentionally setting multiple fires inside his Orofino residence.

The case stems from an incident in which Heath set fire to his unit in a tri-plex, igniting four separate points of origin within the home: the kitchen, the living room, a bed in the bedroom, and a closet. The coordinated response and subsequent investigation were conducted by the Orofino Police Department, Orofino Fire Department, and Deputy State Fire Marshal Josh Masterson.

On April 7, 2026, the Second Judicial District Court in Clearwater County sentenced Heath to a unified four-year sentence, consisting of two years fixed and two years indeterminate. The sentence was suspended, and Heath was placed on four years of supervised probation, according to court records.

As part of the judgment, Heath was also ordered to pay \$6,357.62 in restitution to the victim.

“This case shows the strong collaboration between local law enforcement, fire services, and our State Fire Marshal investigators,” said State Fire Marshal Knute Sandahl. “Intentional fires put lives at risk—not only the occupants, but also neighbors and first responders.”

Heath is required to comply with all conditions of probation, including 30 days in the county jail, community service, and adherence to treatment recommendations.

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About the Department of Insurance

The Idaho Department of Insurance has been regulating the business of insurance in Idaho since 1901. The mission of the Department is to serve and protect Idahoans by equitably,

effectively and efficiently administering the Idaho Insurance Code and the International Fire Code. For more information, please visit us at doi.idaho.gov or email us at consumeraffairs@doi.idaho.gov.

About the Idaho State Fire Marshal's Office

The State Fire Marshal's Office participates in and coordinates an integrated statewide system designed to protect human life from fire and explosions through fire prevention, investigation and public education activities. The program involves fire prevention activities, fire/arson investigation, code enforcement and the operation of the National Fire Incident Reporting System. The State Fire Marshal's Office provides assistance to local fire agencies throughout the state.