



NEWS RELEASE

OFFICE OF LOUISIANA STATE FIRE MARSHAL

Department of Public Safety & Corrections • Public Safety Services

8181 Independence Blvd. • Baton Rouge, LA 70806

www.lasfm.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT: Ashley Rodrigue
Public Affairs Director

DATE: 11/7/19

PHONE: 225-620-5115
ashley.rodrigue@la.gov

MAN WANTED FOR HAMMOND TRAILER FIRE

TANGIPAHOA PARISH- The State Fire Marshal's Office (SFM) is seeking the public's assistance in locating a suspect wanted in connection with the intentionally set fire of a manufactured home in Hammond last month, which threatened several other occupied trailers.

In the early morning hours of October 21, the Hammond Fire Department responded to the fire call in the 43000 block of Baham Lane. The SFM was contacted for assistance in the investigation after firefighters learned new information about the case suggesting it was suspicious in nature.

Video evidence and witness statements led to the identification of Mark "Tookie" Lee, 18, also known as Marcus, as the individual who set the trailer on fire.

A warrant has been issued for Lee on one count of Aggravated Arson and he is considered to be armed and dangerous.

Lee is known to frequent the Hammond and Ponchatoula areas, in particular, the Willow Villa neighborhood. Lee is 5 feet 7 inches tall, 175 pounds and has a star tattoo on his left neck as well as a diamond tattoo on his right chest.

The SFM is asking anyone with information about Lee's whereabouts, and/or about this case, to contact investigators at 504-284-8320 or share the information through our online tip form found at lasfm.org. Information can be submitted anonymously.

END - END - END