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Arrest Made in Church Point Camper Fire

ACADIA PARISH (August 26, 2025) – State Fire Marshal (SFM) deputies have arrested a Lafayette man for setting fire to an occupied Church Point camper. Jacob Buckles, 45, has been charged with Attempted First Degree Murder and Aggravated Arson.

Shortly before 7 a.m. on Friday, August 22, 2025, the Mire Volunteer Fire Department responded to a fire in the 1600 block of Wikoff Drive in Church Point. The camper's occupants were able to escape unharmed.

Following a request for SFM deputies to investigate the fire, it was determined the fire was intentionally set. Through the investigation, SFM deputies identified Buckles as the suspect.

The Office of State Fire Marshal would like to thank the Mire Volunteer Fire Department for their extensive efforts to assist with closing this case.

Any information about this case, or any fire-related crime, can be shared with the SFM by calling our Arson Hotline at [1-844-954-1221](tel:1-844-954-1221) or by submitting an online tip form on lasfm.org. All information can be shared anonymously.

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