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Justice Court

1 IN THE JUSTICE COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA,  
2 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MISSOULA  
3 BEFORE Karen A. Orzech JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

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5 STATE OF MONTANA  
6 Plaintiff,

7 -vs-

8 ELLWOOD AARON FRIEDRICH  
9 Defendant.

Cause No. CR-2014-12100-C2

COMPLAINT

10 SUZY BOYLAN, Assistant Chief Criminal County Attorney, deposes and says that  
11 on or about the 11th day of May, 2014, in Missoula County, the Defendant committed the  
12 offenses of COUNT I: ARSON, a Felony, in violation of Montana law, namely: Mont. Code  
13 Ann. 45-6-103, punishable by 20 years MSP and/or \$50,000 fine; COUNT II: RESISTING  
14 ARREST, a Misdemeanor, in violation of Montana law, namely: Mont. Code Ann. 45-7-  
15 301, punishable by 6 months MCDF and/or \$500 fine.

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17 The facts constituting the offense are:

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19 COUNT I: On or about the 11th day of May, 2014, the above-named Defendant  
20 committed the offense of arson when, by means of fire or explosives, he/she knowingly  
21 or purposely placed customers and staff at Barnes and Noble in danger of death or  
22 bodily injury, by lighting garbage in a restroom on fire.

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24 COUNT II: On or about the 11th day of May, 2014, the above-named Defendant  
25 knowingly prevented or attempted to prevent Officer Brian Vreeland, a peace officer,  
26 from effecting an arrest by using physical force against the peace officer or another, by  
27 physically pulling away as Officer Vreeland attempted to put him in handcuffs.  
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DATED this 12th day of May, 2014.



SUZY BOYLAN  
Assistant Chief Criminal County Attorney

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_ day of May, 2014.

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**AFFIDAVIT OF PROBABLE CAUSE**

8 ELLWOOD AARON FRIEDRICH,  
9 Defendant.

10 STATE OF MONTANA )

: ss


11 County of Missoula )

12 SUZY BOYLAN, Assistant Chief Criminal County Attorney, Montana, being first  
13 duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says:

14 I have read the official law enforcement reports regarding the investigation of  
15 ELLWOOD AARON FRIEDRICH for allegedly committing the offense(s) set forth in the  
16 complaint and based upon the information contained in the reports, if true, believe  
17 probable cause exists to justify charging the above-named defendant as specified in the  
18 accompanying complaint.  
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20 On or about the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014, law enforcement and fire personnel were  
21 dispatched to Barnes and Noble bookstore for a report of a fire. Witnesses reported that  
22 the above-named Defendant lit garbage on fire in a restroom stall and in a garbage can  
23 in the men's restroom. At least one person was in the restroom at the same time.  
24 Defendant was originally cooperative with store personnel, but then ran from the store.  
25 Officers located Defendant after a short search. Officer Vreeland observed Defendant  
26 was "semi-cooperative" as Vreeland attempted to put him into handcuffs, but then  
27 tenses put his arms and tried to pull his arms away. Officer Vreeland called for back up  
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1 and Officer Houppert responded and assisted in placing Defendant into handcuffs.  
2 Defendant appeared intoxicated. His breath alcohol content was measured at .248.  
3 When officers interviewed him, he began to cry and said he didn't remember anything.  
4 He did admit to starting several other fires in the past.  
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8 SUZY BOYLAN  
Assistant Chief Criminal County Attorney

9 SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this \_\_\_\_ day of May, 2014.  
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JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

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15 ORDER

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17 Upon reading the foregoing Affidavit, the Court finds that there is probable cause to  
18 believe the above-named Defendant committed the crimes charged.

19 DATED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014 at \_\_\_\_ a.m./p.m.  
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