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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: People v. Matthew Scott Jones

On January 4, 2021, in Department 9 of the Solano County Superior Court before the Honorable Carlos Gutierrez, Defendant Matthew Scott Jones was held to answer on two counts of Attempted First Degree Murder, Explosion with Intent to Murder, Arson of an Inhabited Structure, three counts of Use of an Explosive Device to Destroy Property, and Possession of a Destructive Device in a Public Place.

On April 27, 2017, at approximately 10:00 p.m., officers of the Fairfield Police Department responded to an apartment fire in the City of Fairfield. Upon further investigation, they determined a homemade explosive device was thrown through the window of an occupied apartment. Fortunately, both victims were able to escape the apartment, however the explosive device caused substantial damage to the apartment.



At approximately 10:32 p.m., officers of the Fairfield Police Department responded to a report of a vehicle fire. During the investigation, the officers determined a homemade explosive device had been thrown through the window of a parked vehicle.

On the following morning, at approximately 1:00 a.m., there was another explosion in front of the Fairfield Police Department. During that investigation, it was later determined that a homemade explosive device had been thrown towards the entrance of the Fairfield Police Department.

That same morning at approximately 10:00 a.m., officers of the Fairfield Police Department located a fourth homemade explosive device at the Nexeo Chemical Plant. The Fairfield Police Department, with the assistance of Federal Bureau of Investigations, were able to determine that Matthew Scott Jones was responsible for all four incidents and he was subsequently arrested.

Defendant Jones remains in custody and is scheduled to be arraigned on the Information on January 19, 2021, at 8:30a.m., in Department 9.

Detectives Adam Brunie and Kathryn McCormick investigated the case. The case is being prosecuted by Deputy District Attorneys Mary Nguyen and Michelle Fraser. Victim Witness Assistant Cynthia Malloy provided victim advocacy.