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News Release

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### **First Degree Arson Sentence**

On December 6, 2011, Brandon E. Williams, 27, of Lebanon pled guilty and was sentenced to seven years for attempted first degree arson of Plato's Closet retail store at 1258 E. Battlefield Road.

Williams was arrested and charged on July 1, 2011. He was identified with the assistance of the local media and citizens after in-store video images were distributed on June 27. The fire occurred June 21.

The Springfield Fire Department wishes to thank local media and citizens for their help in solving this crime.

For more information, contact: Fire Marshal Bill Spence, (417) 864-1513.



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