

PRESS RELEASE

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On Thursday, May 15, 2014 the Shasta County Superior Court was evacuated due to a fire alarm activation. During a subsequent investigation by the Shasta County Marshal's Office, Jessie Smalley of Redding was identified as the person responsible for activating the fire alarm. Marshal's Deputies located Smalley near the Courthouse on West Street near Placer Street. After a short foot pursuit, Deputies were able to take Smalley into custody. While interviewing Smalley, he told Marshal's Deputies that there was a bomb inside the Superior Court building. The Courthouse was again evacuated and a search was completed. No bomb or suspicious items were located and Smalley was booked into the Shasta County Jail for tampering with a fire alarm and resisting, obstructing or delaying a peace officer.