

Sheriff



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March 19, 2013

DESTIN MAN CHARGED WITH ATTEMPTED MURDER



The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office took a Destin man into custody Monday night after his friend says he fired four shots at him inside a Gulf Shore Drive apartment.

43-year old Fred John Shepard of 775 Gulf Shore Drive, Unit 1009 is charged with attempted murder, shooting a firearm in an occupied dwelling, and using a firearm under the influence of alcohol.

Deputies were called to Shepard's apartment around 5:15 Monday evening after 41-year old Christopher Popelarski said Shepard came out of a bedroom following a nap and began shooting at him. Popelarski said three rounds from the handgun hit the couch where he was sitting and another hit a wall beside the front door as he was running away.

Shepard, whose blood alcohol level later tested at .22, denies firing at Popelarski. Popelarski says he does not know why Shepard was trying to shoot him. He says prior to Shepard taking a nap, the pair had just been talking and drinking together.

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IN THE CIRCUIT/COUNTY COURT IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA

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ARREST REPORT

OKALOOSA CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE

REPORT NO: OCSO13ARR002758

Jail Booking No	Offense No OCSO13OFF002723	Other No OCSO13CAD043218	OBTS 4601091410
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[SUSPECT]

<u>Last</u> SHEPARD	<u>First</u> FRED	<u>Middle</u> JOHN	<u>Title</u>	<u>Race</u> W	<u>Sex</u> M	<u>DOB</u> 10/7/1969	<u>Age</u> 43	<u>Hgt</u> 5'08"	<u>Wgt</u> 170
<u>Eyes</u> BRO	<u>Hair</u> BRO	<u>MNI Number</u> OCSO02MNI010511	<u>SSN</u> [REDACTED]	<u>ID. No.</u>	<u>St</u> FL	<u>Type</u> DL	<u>OCA/Agency ID</u> 194018		

Birth Location: City: JOLIET County: State: IL Nation: U.S.A. Citizenship: USA
Address

775 GULF SHORE DR Apt/Lot: 1009 DESTIN FL 32541

Occupations (Current/Last Known is Listed First)

Business: SELF EMPLOYED, Job Title: CARPENTER, Entered: 11/6/2007

Suite:

Business: SELF EMPLOYED, Job Title: CONSTRUCTION, Entered: 10/17/2006

Suite:

Business: SRFI CONSTRUCTION, INC, Job Title: CONSTRUCTION/REMODEL, Phone: (850)980-6622 Entered: 10/8/2002

BENNING DRIVE Suite: DESTIN FL 32541

Business: SRFI CONSTRUCTION, Job Title: CARPENTER, Phone: (850)980-6622 Entered: 9/6/2002

Suite:

Business: SRFI, Job Title: CARPENTER, Phone: (850)654-4471 Entered: 6/17/2002

Suite:

Aliases (Last, First Middle Title DOB)

SHEPPARD, FRED JOHN 10/7/1969

Street Names

* none found in MNI *

[INCIDENT INFORMATION]

Occurred Date Range:	3/18/2013	17:15	to	3/18/2013	17:34	Lat / Long	30.38474 / -86.48329
No.	Di	Street	Apt/Lot	City	ST	Zip	(GEO)
775		GULF SHORE DR	1009	DESTIN	FL	32541	3 - 25 - -

[CHARGES]

782.051.2

CRIMES AGAINST PERSON

COMMIT OTHER FELONY AND CAUSE BODILY INJURY

<u>Counts</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>GOC</u>	<u>UCR</u>	<u>NCIC</u>	<u>AON</u>	<u>Bond Amount</u>
1	Felony	First	Principal	9000		7099	

790.151.

WEAPON OFFENSE

USE FIREARM UNDER INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL

<u>Counts</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>GOC</u>	<u>UCR</u>	<u>NCIC</u>	<u>AON</u>	<u>Bond Amount</u>
1	Misdemeanor	Second	Principal	9000		5299	

790.19.

WEAPON OFFENSE

MISSILE INTO DWELLING VEH BUILDING OR AIRCRAFT

<u>Counts</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>GOC</u>	<u>UCR</u>	<u>NCIC</u>	<u>AON</u>	<u>Bond Amount</u>
1	Felony	Second	Principal	9000		5299	

[STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE / NARRATIVE]

On 3/18/2013 at approximately 1715 hours the defendant, Fred John Shepard, intentionally discharged a

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firearm at the victim, Christopher Popelarski. These offenses did occur within the dwelling at 775 Gulf Shore Dr. #1009 Destin, FL 32541.

Per an Affidavit of Compliant filed by the victim, the defendant did knowingly and intentionally fire three rounds from a .25 caliber semi automatic Phoenix Arms handgun at the victim while he sat on a couch in the dwelling. The rounds missed the victim, but did strike the couch the victim was sitting on. According to the victim, he ran to the front door in fear of his life. While the victim fled to the front door the defendant fired a fourth round in the direction of the victim. The fourth round missed the victim and struck the wall beside the front door.

The defendant had glassy red eyes and the odor of an alcoholic beverage on his breath. While at booking the defendant was tested for his alcohol breath content on the Intoxilyzer. The results of the breath samples were 0.222/0221.

Based on the above stated facts, I have reason to believe and do believe the defendant, Fred John Shepard, committed the offenses of Attempted Felony Murder, Shooting A Firearm Within An Occupied Dwelling, and Using A Firearm Under The Influence Of Alcohol. These are in violation of F.S.S. 782.051(2), 790.19, and 790.151 and did occur in Okaloosa County, FL, where I am a sworn law Enforcement officer.

I hereby swear (or affirm) that the facts established on this affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature (Arresting Officer) _____ **TISDALE, JUSTIN** Name **276** ID/SSN

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this 19 day of March A.D., 2013 by _____ who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Signature _____ Notary Public _____ LEO _____ CO

Commission No: _____ My Commission Expires _____

[PHYSICAL EVIDENCE] [NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE LISTED]

[ARREST INFORMATION]

Arrested 3/18/2013	Residency 17:58 Within jurisdiction	Injured None	Extent of Injury N/A		Resist No
No.	Di	Street	A/L	City	ST Zip
775		GULF SHORE DR	1009	DESTIN	FL 32541
Arresting Officer 276	TISDALE, JUSTIN		Unit	(GEO)	3 - 25 - -
Reporting Officer 276	TISDALE, JUSTIN		Unit		Original Offense Jurisdiction OCSO

Forward to for approval
OCSO/FSV/EAST/BD/D-SHIFT/DES

Bond Set by LEO at Time of Arrest & Booking: \$0.00

- () None
- () ROR
- () Cash

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Bond Set by Judge _____ () None () ROR/Sign
 _____ () Cash () PTR
 _____ () Any
 _____ () Pro
 _____ () PtIQ
 ()Purge _____
 ()SC _____

Return Court: CIRCUIT COURT: FELONY Date: 4/23/2013 Time: 15:30
 Instructions: OKALOOSA COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX EXTENSION

[DISPOSITION]

<u>Disposition Type</u>	<u>Release Type</u>	<u>Other Desc</u>
<u>Release Date</u> <u>Release Time</u> <u>Release Officer</u>		<u>Printed</u> <u>Printed By</u>
<u>Released To</u>		<u>No</u>

<u>Court DispositionType</u>	<u>Court Disposition Description</u>
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[ADDITIONAL PERSONS]

WITNESS STATEMENT

<u>Last</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>Middle</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>DOB</u>
<u>SHEPARD</u>	<u>FRED</u>	<u>JOHN</u>		<u>W</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>10/07/1969</u>

I hereby swear (or affirm) that the facts established on this affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ID / SSN SHEPARD , FRED JOHN

COURT DISPOSITION: _____

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No Bill / Petition Issue Warrant Prosecution Approved

Signature of Assistant State Attorney Date

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