



Saint Paul Fire Department  
645 Randolph Avenue  
Saint Paul, MN 55102  
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## Investigation Report

### Case

#### Case Details

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| SPFD221204055839           | Tweed, Joshua             | Open                         | N/A      |
| Case Number                | Lead Investigator         | Status                       | Name     |
| Confidential               | Accidental                | Electrical System            |          |
| Confidentiality            | Disposition               | Fire Cause                   |          |
| 12/04/2022                 | 19:24                     |                              |          |
| Start Date                 | Start Time                | End Date                     | End Time |
| Saint Paul Fire Department |                           | Saint Paul Police Department |          |
| Primary Fire Department    | Secondary Fire Department | Law Enforcement              |          |

#### Case Narrative

The fire department was called to the report of smoke coming from the roof of a dwelling. Firefighters arrived and found 2.5 story single family dwelling with smoke showing from the attic window on the East facing elevation. Firefighters made their way to the attic space and found smoke and fire conditions. Firefighters evacuated the structure, extinguished the fire and conducted overhaul.

Witnesses states they were alerted to the fire when someone knocked on their door and told them the house was on fire. They state they have not been in the attic space since they started living in the home. They state that the lights in part of the home went out 5-10 minutes prior to discovery of the fire. No cameras were located in the area.

Investigation revealed fire damage to the attic space, concentrated on the East side. Electrical wiring was found routed through the area of origin which was in the void space between the exterior wall studs. The insulation to the wiring was burned off. A electrical cord which was routed to, what is presumed to be, a lamp was also found on the East side of the attic. No other ignition sources were located in the area. The service panel to the home was inspected and revealed the #7 breaker was in the 'tripped' position. The panel states this is to the 'Top Floor'. No other breaker was in the tripped position.

#### Case Background

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#### Case Synopsis

This report is based on presently known and available facts, data, and information.

#### Investigation Comments

## Property Summary (1 of 1)

### Property

N/A

Name

729 Hawthorne Ave. E

Address

Apt/Suite/Room

Saint Paul

Ramsey County

Minnesota

55106

City

County

State

Postal Code

\$143,500.00

\$500.00

\$50,000.00

Pre Fire Value

Content Loss Value

Structure Loss Value

Property Description

### Structure

1 or 2 family dwelling

Occupied

Property Use

Structure Occupancy

Yes

Not Operating

Alarm Type

Smoke Detector Present

Smoke Detector Performance

None

Sprinkler Standpipes

Sprinkler Standpipes Performance

Interior Exam

Exterior Exam