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**PRESS RELEASE**

September 19, 2011

Juvenile Delinquency Adjudications  
Court date: September 13, 2011

**Name: Sebastian Smith**

**DOB: October 12, 1993**

**Residence: Hackettstown, NJ**

**Judge: Kimarie Rahill, J.S.C.**

**Offenses and degree: (1) Arson 3<sup>rd</sup> degree, (2) Criminal Mischief 3<sup>rd</sup> degree**

**Date(s) of Offense(s): May 8, 2011 & May 9, 2011**

**Location of Offense(s): (1) Independence Township; (2) Town of Hackettstown**

**Investigating Agency(ies): Independence Police Department, Hackettstown Police Department**

**Prosecuting Attorney: Donald F. Cox, Jr.**

**Defense Attorney: Neil Gillespie, Esq.**

**Disposition:**

1 year New Jersey Training School for Boys - Jamesburg  
121 days credit

Pay:

\$60.00 Violent Crimes Compensation Board Penalty,

\$15.00 Law Enforcement Officers Training and Education Fund penalty,

Restitution to be determined

Letter of apology to victims,

Provide a DNA sample;

Undergo fingerprinting,

Other: No contact with co-defendant or Victims

**Circumstances of the offenses:**

On May 8, 2011, the Juvenile and a co-defendant set fire to furnishings and window treatments of a vacant residential structure in Independence Township causing the structure to be destroyed.

On date(s) during April and/or May 2011, the Juvenile and a co-defendant broke multiple windows in an unoccupied building located in the Town of Hackettstown.

This information is provided pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2A:4A-60f

APPROVED BY:

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Thomas Scott Ferguson  
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