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Another arson charge lodged against east end defendant

A 54 year old Sagaponack man charged with setting an oceanfront Bridgehampton residence on fire in April of this year has been indicted and arraigned on another charge of arson in the third degree for intentionally setting a Patchogue bar afire in 2013, Suffolk County District Attorney Thomas Spota said.

David Osiecki was remanded to the county jail without bail on December 18 after pleading not guilty to the new charge alleging he set fire to the Off Key Tiki Bar on Baker Place in Patchogue. An investigation found that Osiecki, after an argument with the owner of the establishment, used his cigar to start a decorative bale of hay afire after the bar closed on November 3, 2013. No one was injured. The fire caused major damage to the building.

In the alleged April 19, 2014 arson Osiecki is charged with, flames severely damaged a seven-bedroom; eight-bathroom house on Dune Road.

Following psychiatric exams, the defendant in October was found competent in that psychiatrists determined the Osiecki understands the criminal charges he faces. The finding does not preclude further examination of the defendant to determine whether he was suffering from mental disease or defect at the time of the commission of the crimes.

Osiecki will return to State Supreme Court Justice Fernando Camacho's court for a court conference on February 6.



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