



Tupelo Police Department

Press Release

ALL INDIVIDUALS ARRESTED ARE PRESUMED INNOCENT UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY

-----For Immediate Release-----

10-19-23

Shoplifting 3rd (Felony) Offense Arrest Made:

On 07-28-23, the Tupelo Police Department responded to a shoplifting call at a business on West Main Street. Upon arrival, store personnel informed officers that an individual had shoplifted a large amount of merchandise from the business. Store personnel were able to identify the suspect by items that he left behind when he fled the scene.

On 10-17-23, after further investigation, Robert E. Rucker (53 y/o male, Amory), was arrested and charged with Shoplifting 3rd Offense (Felony). Rucker has been found guilty on 15 previous misdemeanor Shoplifting charges in Tupelo Municipal Court, along with multiple felony charges of Shoplifting.

On 10-19-23, Tupelo Municipal Court Judge Allen ordered Rucker to be held without bond. This case will be presented to the Lee County Grand Jury.

