

TETON COUNTY OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

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Defendant Sentenced to Prison for Theft from Valley Lumber

Today, District Judge Steven W. Boyce sentenced Defendant Paul Shannon Vinesett to prison on three theft and fraud related charges in case CR41-22-1192 in connection with Vinesett's theft and attempted theft of goods from Valley Lumber & Rental ("Valley Lumber") in Victor, Idaho. The conduct in question occurred on three different occasions between January and September of 2022.

On February 2, 2023, Vinesett pled guilty to one count of Issuing an Insufficient Funds Check over \$250, a felony offence under Idaho Code § 18-3106(b), for purchasing a drill driver kit using a personal check on an account he knew contained insufficient funds for the purchase. Vinesett also plead guilty to Petit Theft by Deception for charging an impact wrench kit to the Headwall Construction LLC account without authority to do so and providing a fictitious signature for the purchase, as well as one count of Attempted Petit Theft by Deception for attempting to make a similar unauthorized purchase on the Headwall Construction account on a later day.

Upon discovery of the unauthorized charges to the Headwall Construction account, Valley Lumber refunded the company and absorbed the loss of Vinesett's theft.

Mr. Vinesett was sentenced to 5 years in prison, with 2 years fixed time. As such, Vinesett will serve at least two years in prison before becoming eligible for parole, and will serve between two and five years before being released on parole. Vinesett was fined \$500 and assessed court costs and fees. The Teton County Office of the Prosecuting Attorney has filed a motion for restitution in the case, and it is expected that Vinesett will be ordered to pay restitution to Valley Lumber for the cost of the goods stolen when he is eventually released from prison.

Links:

The Amended Criminal Information in case CR41-22-1192 is available **here**.

Additional case information and documents can be found on the iCourt Portal here.