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## Media Release

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Type of Incident: Aggravated Theft 1

Medford Construction Contractor arrested for Aggravated Theft in the First Degree.

The Talent Police Department arrested a local construction contractor in the 3600 block of Mallard Lane, Medford on Sunday morning. Curtis Buckelew, 52, of Medford was arrested for Aggravated Theft 1 and Theft by Deception and lodged at the Jackson County Jail.

Last year Talent PD started investigating Curtis Buckelew and “98 Restoration” after we received reports from victims that had hired Buckelew. Victims reported they had paid Buckelew for materials and labor, but the work was not completed. Late last year the case was presented to the Jackson County District Attorney’s Office and Buckelew was indicted by a Grand Jury on Theft in the First Degree, Falsifying Business Records, and Aggravated Theft in the First Degree.

If you or someone you know has been affected by Buckelew’s actions or have information about these cases, please contact Officer Ridenour at the Talent Police Department by calling 541-535-1253.

Please use caution and due diligence when hiring a contractor. The Oregon Construction Contractors Board website offers resources and confirmation of a professional’s license status.