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HURST TEXAS

POLICE DEPARTMENT



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On Friday, March 24, 2017, a concerned citizen overheard a suspicious conversation between two male subjects and an elderly female in the bank parking lot of the Educational Employees Credit Union located at 1600 Campus Drive in Hurst. One of the males asked the female if she knew how much money to get. The concerned citizen contacted the Hurst Police Department, and officers arrived to investigate. The investigation led to the arrests of 57-year-old Robert Mitchell and 51-year-old Sam Lee for Exploitation of the Elderly (3rd degree felony) after discovering the males had scammed the elderly victim out of \$1000 for cleaning and sealing the vinyl siding on her house. This is a common scam often presented by subjects claiming to be contractors who will offer to use specialized products to seal driveways, asphalt shingles, or house siding. The victim's money was returned to her and the males were transported to the Hurst Jail, where they were both additionally charged with Failure to Identify charges and traffic offenses. Sam Lee's bond was set at \$15,750 and Robert Mitchell's bond was set at \$15,500.



Sam Lee booking photo



Robert Mitchell booking photo

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