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### **Former Volunteer Firefighter Sentenced to 12 Years in Arson Case**

**RICHLAND PARISH-** A former volunteer firefighter arrested almost a year ago for a house fire that injured his disabled wife and killed her service dog has been sentenced in the 5th Judicial District Court.

On Wednesday, February 20, Kenneth Fulford of Delhi, 54, was sentenced to 12 years in prison for Aggravated Arson. He received an additional four-year sentence for Aggravated Cruelty to Animals, which will run concurrently.

Fulford was a volunteer firefighter with the Richland Parish Ward 1 Fire Department in April 2018 when he was arrested for setting his Antley Road home on fire with his disabled wife and her service dog still inside. He told investigators he did it to “end his wife’s suffering.”

Fulford pleaded guilty in the case on December 12, 2018.

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