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Man Sentenced to Prison for A&M Bomb Threat Hoax

Bryan, TX – Michael Thomas, 44, of Bryan, was sentenced to two years in prison on January 27th for making a hoax bomb threat at Texas A&M.

Thomas, who worked as a landscaper at A&M, wrote “Bomb at Kyle” on a bathroom wall in the Hagler building on February 20, 2013.

When employees discovered the message, they notified the Texas A&M Police Department. The offices at Kyle Field, as well as several other nearby buildings were evacuated while dogs trained to search for explosives were brought in to clear the area.

Police determined that no explosives were actually planted.

Thomas pled “no contest” to writing the threat and was sentenced to two years in prison for Terroristic Threat. As a part of Thomas’s plea agreement, a second Terroristic Threat charge was dismissed.

In addition, Thomas admitted his guilt in two counts of using a credit card that he had stolen from a co-worker at A&M.

Thomas’ criminal history includes three convictions for Driving While Intoxicated, as well as convictions for Possession of a Controlled Substance, and driving with a



Michael Thomas
suspended license.

Assistant District Attorneys Philip McLemore and Ryan Calvert prosecuted the case.

“Thomas’ actions disrupted lives and pulled resources away from other areas. Even though it was a hoax, law enforcement is forced to treat each threat as being real and, for that reason, we take offenses like this very seriously.” - Philip McLemore