



**U.S. Department of Justice  
U.S. Attorney's Office  
Western District of Texas**

**Johnny Sutton, U.S. Attorney**

---

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

October 8, 2003

Shana Jones, Special Assistant  
Daryl Fields, Public Affairs Officer  
610 N.W. Loop 410  
San Antonio, Texas 78216  
(210) 384-7440

**AUSTIN MAN ARRESTED AND CHARGED WITH OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE IN CONNECTION  
WITH THE 1991 YOGURT SHOP ARMED ROBBERY AND ARSON INVESTIGATION**

**U.S. Attorney Johnny Sutton** announced today that agents with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives along with officers from the Austin Police Department arrested 37-year-old Patric Norris Davidson on federal charges stemming from the investigation into the armed robbery and arson of an I Can't Believe It's Yogurt shop on December 6, 1991.

The indictment, returned yesterday, charges Davidson with one count each of accessory after the fact, misprision of felony, making false statements to a federal official and obstruction of justice. The indictment alleges that Davidson had knowledge that Michael James Scott had conspired with others to commit armed robbery and arson of a commercial building which resulted in the death of another person and agreed to dispose of a .380 caliber semi-automatic pistol used during the commission of the offense. The indictment also alleges that Davidson agreed to intentionally make materially false oral and written statements to law enforcement officials in an effort to hinder the investigation and prevent the apprehension, trial and punishment of Scott.

Upon conviction of all counts, Davidson faces up to 28 years in federal prison and a maximum \$1,000,000 fine. Davidson is scheduled to have his initial appearance in Austin this afternoon before United States Magistrate Judge Andrew Austin.

This case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosive and the Austin Police Department. Assistant United States Attorney Jerry Carruth is prosecuting this case on behalf of the Government.

**An indictment is a formal accusation of criminal conduct, not evidence of guilt. Defendants are presumed innocent unless and until convicted through due process of law.**

#####