## Man accepts global plea deal

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LEAVENWORTH, Kan. ---A Lansing man who has been charged with crimes related to drug possession, fleeing from police, and property damage has accepted a global plea deal to resolve all of his cases. He is now awaiting sentencing.

On Wednesday, David A. Kelly, 30, agreed to the plea deal.

On August 13, 2022, Kelly entered and barricaded himself inside the victim's Lansing home. Before entering the home, Kelly broke a window of the victim's car. While inside the home, Kelly broke, destroyed, and defaced two televisions, a laptop computer, a refrigerator, a child's Sony PlayStation 4, a window, a curtain rod, and a vacuum. Kelly's behavior resulted in charges of felony criminal damage to property.

On November 27, 2022, Kelly returned to the Lansing home. Kelly attempted to enter the home, but was denied by the victim. Kelly then picked up a nearby cinderblock and threw it at the windshield of the victim's vehicle, shattering the windshield and scratching the hood of the vehicle. Kelly's behavior resulted in a charge of misdemeanor criminal damage to property.

On February 22, 2023, a Leavenworth Police officer spotted David Kelly driving a white Cadillac near the intersection of 10th Avenue and Pennsylvania Street. The officer knew that Kelly's driver's license had been suspended and attempted to initiate a traffic stop by turning on his emergency lights and sirens. However, Kelly immediately started driving at a high speed, going against oncoming traffic. Several vehicles had to swerve off the road to avoid a collision. Eventually, Kelly parked his car illegally in the area of Third Avenue and Santa Fe and made a run for it. The officers towed Kelly's car and found a small bag containing a white crystal substance during an inventory search. The substance tested positive for methamphetamine, leading to a charge of possession of methamphetamine.

Leavenworth County Attorney Todd Thompson said, "We're grateful for the diligent work our officers put into their cases. Our office takes every crime seriously, especially those involving repeat and serious offenders."