

Man who took money from a dependent adult for dental procedures pleads no contest

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LEAVENWORTH, Kan. --- A Leavenworth man who attempted to use \$55,000 that didn't belong to him to pay for dental procedures pled no contest to **Attempted Mistreatment of a Dependent Adult** and **Theft**.

Harry E. Madden, 79, withdrew \$55,000 from the 84-year-old victim's account on May 3, 2022. Madden, who had power of attorney over the victim's account, then used the funds to pay an Overland Park area dentistry office for services that had not yet been performed.

During the investigation, Madden admitted to taking the money for his own benefit.

County Attorney Todd Thompson said, **"We're pleased this case was resolved, and the victim's money was accounted for. Rules regarding power of attorney responsibilities vary, so it's important to know the rules and seek legal advice if something is unclear."**

On March 27, 2024, Madden pleaded no contest to the charges and was found guilty on both counts. Sentencing is scheduled for May 1, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.