



BARTLETT POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Bartlett Police Recover Approximately \$30,000 Worth of Stolen Photography Equipment

On September 22, 2009, the Bartlett Police Department arrested Kenneth S. Kovas, 53, of 29 Lindon Lane, Vernon Hills. The DuPage County State's Attorney's Office and the Bartlett Police Department charged him with a Class 2 felony count of Theft Over \$10,000.

On September 15, 2009 at approximately 11:30 am, the Bartlett Police Department responded to a business in the 1200 block of Humbracht Circle to investigate an internal theft of approximately \$70,000 worth of high end professional photography items. Following an investigation, Police alleged Kovas stole the items from his workplace and then sold them on a popular online auction site. Police conducted an undercover investigation to pose as a potential online buyer and were able to successfully purchase some of the stolen items. Police were able to recover approximately \$30,000 worth of stolen property from Kovas' residence.

Kovas was transported to the DuPage County Jail in Wheaton to await his bail bond hearing. His bail bond was set at \$75,000 and he released from jail after posting the required bond amount. He will be assigned a future court date by the DuPage County Circuit Court Clerk at DuPage County Judicial Center located in Wheaton.

Submitted by,
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