

Man Charged with Criminal Trespassing for Breaking into College Apartment

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18-year-old Nicholas Sharkey was accused of invading a college apartment and kicking in several doors at State College in Pennsylvania. He was found sleeping at 12:43 a.m. in an apartment that did not belong to him. Though the resident got him out of the room, Sharkey continued to damage other doors on the same floor. Police arrived and found multiple kicked in doors, and suspect that alcohol was involved.

Sharkey was charged with criminal trespassing by breaking into and entering a structure and criminal mischief by damaging property.

In Arizona, a person commits criminal trespass in the third degree by:

1. Knowingly entering or remaining unlawfully on any real property after a reasonable request to leave has been made by the owner or any other person having lawful control over such property, or reasonable notice prohibiting entry.
2. Knowingly entering or remaining unlawfully on the right-of-way for tracks, or the storage or switching yards or rolling stock of a railroad company.

Criminal trespass in the third degree is a class 3 misdemeanor in Arizona.

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