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## **UPDATE: Fatal Fire Investigation 526 Seward Street**

The investigation of a double fatality fire that occurred on September 17, 2017 at 526 Seward Street has been concluded. The Capital City Fire Rescue Fire Marshal's Office led the fire origin and cause investigation with assistance from Juneau Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms. The origin of the fire was identified as the second story back deck. The cause for the fire is undetermined.

At this time there is insufficient evidence to prove the cause of this fire. The ATF lab in Maryland was used to analyze electrical components and it was found to be inconclusive as to whether there was an electrical failure or malfunction. Special Agent Dawn Dodsworth from the Seattle ATF office reviewed photographs and interview statements from police and fire personnel to assist with the investigation and provided professional opinion to the investigation team and also concluded that the fire is undetermined.