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**NEWS
RELEASE**

01/13/2021

Man Charged with Animal Cruelty after Beating and Dragging Puppy

Date: 01/12/2021

Time: 9:22 AM

Location: 3907 Memphis Ave.

Arrested: 26 –year old Aaron Christopher Pandeli of Phoenix,AZ.

EL PASO, Texas — 26 –year old Aaron Christopher Pandelia was arrested yesterday and charged with Cruelty/Torture to Animals after witnesses saw Pandeli violently beat and drag a Shih Tzu puppy across concrete. The 14 –week old puppy suffered injuries to include damage to one eye requiring surgery. Pandeli was taken into custody by the El Paso Police Department’s Animal Cruelty Investigations Unit and charged with one count of Cruelty, as well as Possession of Controlled Substance (Oxycodone). He was booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility on bonds totaling \$15,000.



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