

If someone commits arson on a forest and someone dies as a direct result of the fire, will that be considered felony murder?

[A.R.S. § 13-1105](#) is the law in Arizona that defines first degree murder. Certain crimes fall under this statute if "in the course of and in furtherance of the offense or immediate flight from the offense, the person or another person causes the death of any person." One of the crimes listed in this statute is Arson ([A.R.S. §§ 13-1703](#) , [13-1704](#)).

[A.R.S. § 13-1703](#) is arson of a **structure or property** by knowingly and unlawfully damaging a structure or property by knowingly causing a fire or explosion.

[A.R.S. § 13-1704](#) is arson of an **occupied structure** by knowingly and unlawfully damaging an occupied structure by knowingly causing a fire or explosion.