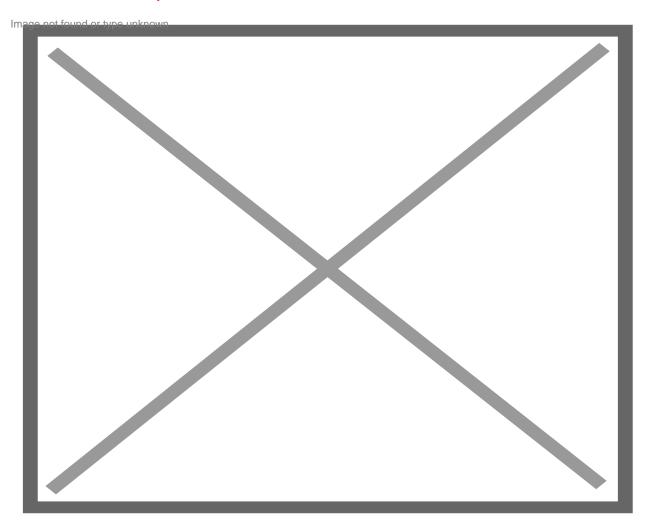
## Man Arrested for Allegedly Depositing Fraudulent Checks Worth \$3,000 Into Account

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Mugshot of Michael Ford. By. THE VIRGIN ISLANDS POLICE DEPARTMENT

ST. CROIX — A St. Croix man who allegedly deposited several fraudulent checks into his account was arrested Monday afternoon, V.I.P.D. Public Information Officer Toby Derima has announced.

According to the news release, on Monday at approximately 2:37 p.m., detectives from the Economic Crimes Unit arrested Michael Ford, age 35 of Catherine's Rest, on a warrant. He was charged with obtaining money by false pretense, passing forged bills or notes, and grand larceny.

The investigation into this matter revealed that on February 21 and 26, 2020, Ford deposited several fraudulent checks from a local business into his personal bank account totaling almost

\$3,000, Mr. Derima said.

Unable to make bail of \$20,000, Ford was remanded to the Golden Grove Correctional Facility pending his advisement hearing.

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