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EMT ARRESTED FOR FRAUDULENT MEDICAL NOTES
--Allegedly submitted false documents for three sick days--

ROSE GILL HEARN, Commissioner of the New York City Department of Investigation (DOI) announced today the arrest of AUBREY LINDIE, an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) employed by the New York City Fire Department (FDNY), Emergency Medical Service (EMS), for submitting three fraudulent Civilian Medical Documentation Forms (CMDFs) to the FDNY to excuse his absences from work.

Lindie, 47, of Brooklyn, NY, an EMS employee since March 1996, who earns an annual salary of \$41,162, was arrested and charged with Second-Degree Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument and First-Degree Tampering with Public Records. Each are class D felonies. He is also charged with Third-Degree Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument, Second-Degree Tampering with Public Records, Second-Degree Falsifying Business Records, Second-Degree Offering a False Instrument for Filing and Official Misconduct, which are each class A misdemeanors. If convicted, Lindie faces up to seven years in prison.

“Employees should not be feigning sickness to get out of work,” said Commissioner Rose Gill Hearn. “The allegations in this case are even more egregious because they involve a city employee entrusted with responding to the medical needs of city residents.”

In September 2006, while assigned to the EMS Emergency Dispatch Center in Brooklyn, Lindie gave his supervisor FDNY medical documentation in which he claimed to have been unable to work because of illness. Portions of the forms allegedly were completed and signed by Lindie’s doctor, verifying that Lindie was sick and visited his doctor’s office when he missed work. DOI’s investigation revealed that Lindie was not at the doctor’s office on those dates and that the doctor’s signature had been forged.

Commissioner Gill Hearn thanked FDNY Commissioner Nicholas Scoppetta and his staff for their assistance and cooperation in this case.

This investigation was conducted by DOI’s Office of the Inspector General for FDNY. The office of the Kings County District Attorney Charles J. Hynes and Assistant District Attorney Fran Weiner are prosecuting the case.

Criminal complaints are accusations. Defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

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