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DOI ARRESTS MAN FOR STEALING AND CASHING HIS BROTHER'S BAIL REFUND CHECK

ROSE GILL HEARN, Commissioner of the Department of Investigation (DOI), today announced the arrest of Lindon M. Gittens for stealing and negotiating his brother's \$970 bail refund check.

Gittens, 35, of Brooklyn, has been charged with Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument in the Third Degree, Criminal Possession of Stolen Property in the Fifth Degree, and Petit Larceny. If convicted, Gittens faces up to one year in jail.

DOI began its investigation after Gittens' brother, Dexter, filed a forgery claim with the New York City Department of Finance in which he stated that he never received a \$970 bail refund check he used to post bail for his older brother, Lloyd Gittens.

Investigators determined that Lindon Gittens removed the bail refund check from the mailbox he shared with his brother. Lindon Gittens, a security guard at a bank, cashed the check by convincing a teller that the manager had approved it.

Commissioner Gill Hearn thanked Department of Finance Commissioner Martha E. Stark, and members of her staff, for their assistance and cooperation in the investigation.

The investigation was conducted by Assistant Commissioner Vincent E. Green, Deputy Inspector General Maureen Lewis, First Assistant Inspector General Jeffrey Dolcimascolo, and Special Investigator Daniel Lau.

The Early Case Assessment Bureau in the office of the Manhattan District Attorney is handling the case.

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