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**DOI ARRESTS FORMER BROOKLYN DAY CAMP DIRECTOR ON CHARGES OF  
FALSIFYING A CITY BUILDINGS RECORD TO OBTAIN PERMIT FROM ANOTHER CITY AGENCY**

ROSE GILL HEARN, Commissioner of the New York City Department of Investigation ("DOI"), announced today the arrest of CESAR SALCEDO, a former day camp director in Brooklyn, on charges he falsified a City Department of Buildings ("DOB") document that was required to be filed with the City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene ("DOHMH") to obtain a permit to run the Williamsburg Beacon Center Day Camp on Grand Street in Brooklyn. The office of New York County District Attorney Robert M. Morgenthau is prosecuting the case.

SALCEDO, 34, of the Bronx, has been charged with four counts of Offering a False Instrument for Filing in the First Degree, a class "E" felony. Upon conviction, a class E felony is punishable by up to four years in prison.

DOI Commissioner Rose Gill Hearn said, "Falsifying a Buildings Department document and then filing it with another City agency is not only foolish behavior, it is illegal. City rules are there for a reason and individuals who evade them will be held accountable."

A "Letter of No Objection" ("LNO") was required to be filed to obtain a permit from DOHMH allowing the camp to operate in the City. The LNO ensured that DOB had no objection to a new business operating at a location that is already approved and operating as a different enterprise, in this instance, a summer camp operating at a school on Grand Street in Brooklyn.

DOI began investigating after it was notified by DOB about the possible LNO falsification in connection with the day camp.

According to the criminal complaint, SALCEDO was the director of the day camp in Brooklyn between 2003 and 2007 and was responsible for submitting the application to obtain a permit from DOHMH. DOI's investigation found that DOB issued a valid LNO in 2003 for the camp, stating DOB had no objection to the camp operating out of an existing school building. DOB did not issue SALCEDO a LNO for 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 and SALCEDO did not have permission to create LNOs for those years. The investigation found; however, that DOHMH received LNOs purportedly issued to and submitted by SALCEDO during each of those four years.

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Commissioner Gill Hearn thanked DOB Commissioner Robert LiMandri and DOHMH Commissioner Dr. Thomas R. Frieden, and their staffs, for their assistance in this investigation.

The investigation was conducted by DOI's Inspector General for DOB Michael Carroll and members of his staff, including Investigator Tiffany Dumas.

Assistant District Attorney Clara Henderson from the New York County District Attorney's Office is assigned to the case.

A criminal complaint is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

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