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**DOI ARRESTS COUNSELOR WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE FOR  
ALLEGEDLY SUBMITTING FALSE DOCTORS' NOTES**  
*--The notes cost City more than \$3,000--*

ROSE GILL HEARN, Commissioner of the New York City Department of Investigation (DOI), announced today the arrest of JAWHAR JORDAN, a Juvenile Counselor with the Department of Juvenile Justice ("DJJ"), for allegedly submitting false doctors' notes to the DJJ, which cost about \$3,399. Today's case follows the arrests earlier this month of two other DJJ employees for similar crimes.

JORDAN, 34, of Brooklyn, was charged with Offering a False Instrument for Filing in the First Degree, a class E felony; Falsifying Business Records in the Second Degree, a class A misdemeanor; Forgery in the Third Degree, a class A misdemeanor and Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument in the Third Degree, a class A misdemeanor. If convicted, JORDAN faces up to four years in prison.

Commissioner Gill Hearn said, "Today's arrest emphasizes DOI's vigilance in making sure municipal employees are not bilking the City by submitting false doctors' notes. As I said earlier this month, these cases are particularly disturbing because instead of setting a good example for troubled teenagers, these employees sent the wrong message by their alleged involvement in these crimes."

DOI began its investigation after DJJ personnel reported receiving doctors' notes from DJJ staff that appeared to be forged. Investigators determined that JORDAN submitted multiple false doctors' notes in order to receive paid time off from DJJ. The investigation found that JORDAN submitted a total of 15 fraudulent notes between July 2004 and December 2005 in order to receive paid time off for 26 days, which totaled about \$3,399.

On April 10, two other DJJ employees were arrested on similar charges. MARION JAMISON, 41, of Brooklyn, and WAYNE OVERTON, 53, of Springfield Gardens, N.Y. were each charged with Offering a False Instrument for Filing in the First Degree, a class E felony; Falsifying Business Records in the Second Degree, a class A misdemeanor; Forgery in the Third Degree, a class A misdemeanor and Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument in the Third Degree, a class A misdemeanor. JAMISON, a Juvenile Counselor, faces 14 counts of each charge and OVERTON, a Special Officer, faces 10 counts of each charge. If convicted, JAMISON and OVERTON each face up to four years in prison.

In total, these three employees wrongfully received salary payments, a total cost of more than \$6,500.

Commissioner Gill Hearn thanked the Department of Juvenile Justice Commissioner Neil Hernandez and members of his staff for their assistance and cooperation in the investigation.

The investigation was conducted by the staff at the Department Of Juvenile Justice Inspector General's Office, including Assistant Inspector General Bradley Howard, Confidential Investigator Jared Feirstein and Supervising Investigator Octavia Hill, under the direction of Associate Commissioner Julie Block.

The Office of the Kings County District Attorney Charles J. Hynes is prosecuting the case.

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

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