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#### DOI INVESTIGATION FINDS NYCHA STILL FAILING TO EFFECTIVELY ENFORCE PERMANENT EXCLUSION POLICIES FOR SERIOUS CRIMINAL OFFENDERS, FACILITATING DANGEROUS CRIMINAL ACTIVITY ON PREMISES

Joint investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, New York City Police Department, Office of the Special Narcotics Prosecutor, and DOI leads to arrests of 18 individuals on charges including narcotics and conspiracy at NYCHA's Sheepshead/Nostrand Houses

Mark G. Peters, Commissioner of the New York City Department of Investigation ("DOI"), today announced the arrest of 18 individuals, including three New York City Housing Authority ("NYCHA") employees, and released a Report that revealed NYCHA's continued failure to effectively enforce its Permanent Exclusion policy for dangerous criminal offenders. The investigation also uncovered employees purchasing drugs from tenants and targets of the criminal investigation and other misconduct at NYCHA's Sheepshead/Nostrand Houses. The Report was issued at the conclusion of a 16-month criminal investigation with federal and state law enforcement partners into the Towaz Boyz gang, which resulted in 15 arrests on drug and conspiracy charges, the arrest of one NYCHA employee for illegally facilitating access to a NYCHA apartment allegedly used in narcotics sales, and arrests of two additional NYCHA employees for purchasing marijuana from a Sheepshead apartment while on duty and in uniform. During the course of the investigation, DOI investigators discovered NYCHA was fully aware that two of the defendants charged today had allegedly sold narcotics in NYCHA apartments, lobbies, and stairwells, and had been Permanently Excluded from NYCHA property. Furthermore, when NYCHA became aware that these defendants were still living in the NYCHA apartments in violation of the Permanent Exclusion policy, the Authority failed to take further enforcement action to protect other Sheepshead/Nostrand residents.

A copy of DOI's Report follows this release and can be found at the following link: http://www1.nyc.gov/site/doi/newsroom/public-reports.page

DOI Commissioner Mark G. Peters said, "Today's arrests highlight the inherent dangers of allowing serious, recidivist criminals to continue to reside on NYCHA property. DOI's Report demonstrates NYCHA's continued failure to exclude these offenders - disregarding its own policies and DOI's repeated findings in this critical area of safety. By defying its own policy of Permanent Exclusion, NYCHA is placing its residents at risk."

"People deserve to leave their homes without fearing the drug dealers and violent gang members loitering around their front doors. The FBI NY Metro Safe Streets Task Force and our partners the NYPD and the

City of New York Department of Investigation worked closely on this investigation to stop illegal criminals from disrupting people's lives. We want this case and these arrests to serve as a warning that we will leverage these partnerships to stop future gang members hoping to fill the void," said William F. Sweeney, Assistant Director in Charge of the FBI New York Division.

DOI's investigation exposed significant vulnerabilities in NYCHA's internal controls concerning Permanent Exclusion, as well as misconduct by NYCHA employees, and alleged criminal activity by numerous unauthorized NYCHA occupants, specifically:

- Two of the defendants charged today, MATTHEW GERARD and JAMEEK BAKER, had previously been arrested for selling crack cocaine at Sheepshead/Nostrand Houses, and BAKER had also been charged with armed robbery. NYCHA Permanently Excluded them from public housing so that their leaseholder relatives could remain living at NYCHA. NYCHA subsequently found both of these defendants still living in the NYCHA apartments in violation of the Permanent Exclusion agreement, but failed to take effective action to protect other Sheepshead/Nostrand residents from the ongoing narcotics activity.
- Eight additional defendants were residing in public housing or Section 8 apartments without legal authorization and in violation of the lease terms.
- DOI also arrested a NYCHA caretaker, SHAKINA ROWE, for illegally unlocking a NYCHA apartment, after a court-ordered eviction, in order to enable individuals charged in this investigation to access an apartment known to be used for narcotics sales, according to the charges. Two additional NYCHA employees were arrested for purchasing marijuana while on duty and in uniform.

As a result of this investigation, DOI is re-issuing recommendations it has made in its two prior reports concerning removing recidivist serious criminal offenders from NYCHA properties, including more aggressively prosecuting tenancy cases against NYCHA leaseholders who participated in, knew or should have known, of serious criminal activity being committed by criminal offenders, especially where the offender has already been Permanently Excluded from NYCHA housing. The report also includes new recommendations, including that NYCHA should conduct a comprehensive audit of all arrests referred by NYPD to evaluate NYCHA's response. following Copies of both the 2015 and 2017 Reports can be found at the link: http://www1.nyc.gov/site/doi/newsroom/public-reports.page

Commissioner Peters thanked New York City Police Department (NYPD) Commissioner James O'Neill and the Brooklyn South Gang Squad, NYPD Captain Anthony Guadagno and Detectives Matthew Jagoda and Robert Chan; Assistant Director in Charge of the New York Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation William F. Sweeney, Jr.; FBI Special Agent Neil Maxson; Special Narcotics Prosecutor Bridget G. Brennan; Brooklyn District Attorney Eric Gonzalez and Senior Executive for Law Enforcement Operations Gregory A. Thomas; and City Department of Correction Acting Deputy Commissioner Antonio Cruz, for their cooperation and assistance in this investigation.

The investigation was conducted by DOI's Office of the Inspector General for NYCHA, specifically Deputy Inspector General Gregory DeBoer, Assistant Inspector General Robin Jacknow, Chief Investigator Enio Bencosme, Special Investigator Ryan Covino, and Confidential Investigator Raul Cordero, under the supervision of Inspector General Ralph Iannuzzi; DOI Special Investigators Stephen Dumas and Deirdre Senft and Confidential Investigators Jonathan Flores and Meaghan Fitzgerald; under the supervision of Associate Commissioner James Flaherty, Deputy Commissioner/Chief of Investigations Susan Lambiase and First Deputy Commissioner Lesley Brovner.

The GERARD and BAKER cases are being prosecuted by the Office of the Special Narcotics Prosecutor.

The ROWE case is being prosecuted by the Brooklyn District Attorney's Office, specifically Assistant District Attorney Pamela Murray.

Indictments and criminal complaints are accusations. Defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

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# NYCHA Public Safety Failures Connected to Gang and Narcotics Activity at Sheepshead/Nostrand Houses

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The New York City Department of Investigation (DOI), the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the New York City Police Department (NYPD) Brooklyn South Gang Squad, and the Office of the Special Narcotics Prosecutor (SNP) have concluded a 16-month investigation into the Towaz Boyz gang based at the New York City Housing Authority's (NYCHA) Sheepshead/Nostrand Houses. This investigation resulted in 18 arrests, including 15 individuals for narcotics and/or conspiracy charges; one NYCHA employee was arrested for illegally facilitating access to a NYCHA apartment used for narcotics sales; and two additional NYCHA employees were arrested for purchasing marijuana from a Sheepshead apartment while on duty. A detailed listing of these arrests is included as the Appendix to this Report.

Not only did this investigation result in numerous arrests, it again exposed significant vulnerabilities in NYCHA's internal controls. *First*, it once again showed NYCHA's continuing failure to effectively enforce its Permanent Exclusion policy.<sup>1</sup> *Second*, it revealed NYCHA employees engaged in misconduct and purchasing drugs from tenants and targets of this criminal investigation. *Third*, it identified numerous unauthorized NYCHA occupants who participated in this widespread drug distribution scheme at Sheepshead/Nostrand Houses even though the occupants were not legally permitted to reside in public housing. Specifically, DOI uncovered the following:

• Two of the defendants arrested today had previously sold narcotics at Sheepshead/Nostrand Houses, and NYCHA Permanently Excluded them from public housing so that their leaseholder relatives could remain living in their apartments. NYCHA subsequently found both of these defendants still living in the NYCHA apartments in violation of the Permanent Exclusion, but once again failed to take effective action to remove them and protect other Sheepshead/Nostrand residents from the ongoing narcotics activity. Eight additional defendants were residing in public housing or Section 8 apartments without legal authorization and in violation of the lease terms.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> When NYPD notifies NYCHA that residents are committing violent or other serious criminal activity, the Authority has legal authority to evict the entire household, or to choose the less severe sanction of Permanent Exclusion of only the individual offender from the apartment. In previous reports in 2015 and 2017, DOI strongly recommended that in cases involving recidivist serious criminal offenders, NYCHA should seek household eviction or at minimum conduct meaningful enforcement of Permanent Exclusion. See "NYPD and NYCHA's Roles in Controlling Violent and Narcotics Crime By Removing Criminal http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/doi/reports/pdf/2015/2015-12-08from Public Housing," Offenders Pr41nycha\_nypd\_mou.pdf (December 2015); "NYCHA Is Still Failing to Remove Dangerous Criminals http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/doi/reports/pdf/2017/2017-03-28-Public Housing," from NYCHAMOUreport.pdf (March 2017). To date, NYCHA has accepted 12 out of DOI's 19 Policy and Procedure Recommendations and implemented 10, but rejected three.

- DOI arrested a NYCHA caretaker for illegally unlocking a NYCHA apartment, after a court-ordered eviction, to enable individuals charged in this investigation to access an apartment known to be used for narcotics sales. Two additional NYCHA employees were arrested for purchasing marijuana while on duty and in uniform.
- One defendant, who was arrested for supplying heroin on multiple occasions, was residing as an unauthorized occupant of the Sheepshead Tenants' Association President's NYCHA apartment.
- NYCHA rejected three prior recommendations made by DOI in March of 2017 highlighting NYCHA's lack of effectiveness in enforcing its Permanent Exclusion policy. As again demonstrated by this investigation, accepting and implementing these recommendations is essential to keeping all NYCHA tenants safe.

#### **INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS**

Sheepshead/Nostrand Houses is a public housing development in southern Brooklyn comprised of 34 apartment buildings that house nearly 5,000 low- and moderate-income New Yorkers. This investigation found that NYCHA's failure to act – and in one instance affirmative actions – resulted in continued criminal activity at Sheepshead/Nostrand Houses as follows:

### I. <u>NYCHA Failed to Remove Two Households, Creating a Continuing Danger to Their</u> <u>Neighbors' Safety</u>

This investigation determined that NYCHA was fully aware that two Towaz Boyz members, defendants Matthew Gerard and Jameek Baker, had allegedly been engaging in criminal activity that threatened their neighbors' safety, including selling crack cocaine in NYCHA stairwells, hallways, lobbies and apartments, and committing an armed robbery of a nearby convenience store. In both cases, after NYCHA was notified by NYPD, NYCHA initially chose not to evict the households, but instead only to Permanently Exclude the individual perpetrators from the NYCHA apartments. In both cases, NYCHA civilian investigators conducted subsequent unannounced home visits and found that, despite the bans, the excluded individuals were continuing to reside in the NYCHA apartments. Furthermore, DOI found documentary evidence that the leaseholders, who had signed legal stipulations committing to exclude the defendants from their apartments as a condition of preserving their tenancies, blatantly disregarded the Permanent Exclusion agreements and in fact openly reported the defendants' continued occupancy to the city agency that grants public assistance and even to NYCHA itself. Yet in both cases, NYCHA failed to take further action in an effort to stop the gang activity (which is often localized to a particular development), such as transferring the leaseholder to a different development or pursuing eviction of the household. Predictably, the criminal activity has continued unabated, as detailed below:

- A. <u>Matthew Gerard, age 32, lives with his grandmother</u>
  - ARRESTED ON STREET WITH 7 BAGS OF CRACK COCAINE (2009)
  - SEARCH WARRANT FOR GERARD BASED ON MULTIPLE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT BUYS FROM GRANDMOTHER'S NYCHA APARTMENT RECOVERED 12 BAGS OF CRACK COCAINE (2011)
  - > NYCHA PERMANENTLY EXCLUDED GERARD IN 2011
    - SEARCH WARRANT FOR GERARD'S BROTHER AT NYCHA APARTMENT RECOVERED 18 GRAMS CRACK COCAINE, BUT NYCHA WITHDREW TENANCY TERMINATION CASE (2012)
    - GERARD ARRESTED FOR REPEATED CRACK SALES IN NYCHA APARTMENT HALLWAY, STAIRWELL, AND DEVELOPMENT GROUNDS (2014)
    - GRANDMOTHER REPORTED IN WRITING TO PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AGENCY THAT GERARD CONTINUED TO LIVE WITH HER (2014)
  - NYCHA RE-ORDERED PERMANENT EXCLUSION (SECOND TIME) IN 2015
    - NYCHA INVESTIGATORS CONDUCTING A HOME VISIT TO CHECK COMPLIANCE WITH PERMANENT EXCLUSION BAN FOUND GERARD IN THE NYCHA APARTMENT (2016)
  - > NYCHA AGAIN RE-ORDERED PERMANENT EXCLUSION (THIRD TIME) IN 2016
    - GERARD CONTINUES TO RESIDE AT THE NYCHA APARTMENT AND RECENTLY USED THE ADDRESS WHEN ARRESTED ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CHARGES IN 2017 AND FOR DMV CAR REGISTRATION

- B. Jameek Baker, age 24, lives with his mother
  - ARRESTED FOR MULTIPLE SALES OF CRACK COCAINE IN LOBBY OF HIS MOTHER'S NYCHA BUILDING (2015)
  - ARRESTED FOR ARMED ROBBERY OF 7-11 (2015)
  - > NYCHA PERMANENTLY EXCLUDED BAKER IN 2015
    - NYCHA INVESTIGATORS CONDUCTED HOME VISIT AND BAKER'S MOTHER ADMITTED HE HAD FLED OUT OF THE APARTMENT WINDOW (2016)
  - > NYCHA TOOK <u>NO</u> TENANCY ACTION FOR PERMANENT EXCLUSION VIOLATION
    - ARRESTED FOR ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF A LOADED FIREARM (2017)
    - DESPITE PERMANENT EXCLUSION BAN, BAKER'S MOTHER CONTINUED TO CERTIFY TO NYCHA THAT BAKER WAS STILL A MEMBER OF HER HOUSEHOLD, MOST RECENTLY IN JUNE 2017
    - ARRESTED FOR POSSESSION AND KNOWING INTRODUCTION OF DANGEROUS CONTRABAND INTO PRISON (2017)

Furthermore, eight additional defendants arrested today were residing in public housing or Section 8 apartments without legal authorization and in violation of the lease terms. Based on the alleged criminal activity, DOI is referring these defendants' households to NYCHA for consideration of appropriate action including Permanent Exclusion. NYCHA should focus its efforts on ensuring that these households are not threatening the safety and health of their public housing neighbors and are complying with their lease terms.

## II. <u>NYCHA Employees Facilitated Narcotics Sales from a NYCHA Apartment and Visited a</u> <u>Known Drug Location During Work Hours</u>

After a City marshal executed an eviction at a Sheepshead/Nostrand apartment, NYCHA caretaker Shakina Rowe, while on duty and in uniform, used her access key to illegally unlock the apartment for individuals using the location for the sale of heroin, PCP, cocaine, crack cocaine, and marijuana. These individuals were observed retrieving possessions which possibly included contraband. As part of this investigation, Rowe was arrested and charged with Criminal Trespass.

In addition, DOI arrested two other NYCHA caretakers who went to the same NYCHA apartment known to be used for narcotics sales and purchased marijuana in the apartment doorway while on duty and in uniform.

#### III. Source of Supply with Ties to Tenants' Association President Identified and Arrested

In two transactions over a two-month period, a confidential informant purchased heroin worth more than \$1,000 from Ernest Wade, the husband and unauthorized household occupant of the President of the Sheepshead Tenants' Association. Wade has been arrested and charged with Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance and Conspiracy. DOI is referring the Tenants' Association President's household to NYCHA for consideration of appropriate action, including seeking Permanent Exclusion of Wade.

#### CONCLUSION

In two previous reports about NYCHA's failure to remove violent and recidivist criminal offenders from public housing, DOI made numerous Policy and Procedure Recommendations to increase public safety. In response, NYCHA outright rejected DOI's recommendations to evict households based on serious repeated criminal activity by an individual offender,<sup>2</sup> and to aggressively prosecute Permanent Exclusion violations.<sup>3</sup> Furthermore, though NYCHA accepted DOI's recommendation to downsize or transfer households to developments located away from the crime locus,<sup>4</sup> NYCHA failed to implement this policy for the two households described in this report. By failing to take effective action to remove recidivist offenders selling narcotics and engaging in violent and other serious criminal activity, NYCHA continues to risk the safety of its residents.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <u>DOI March 2017 Recommendation</u>: After identifying violent and recidivist criminal offenders, NYCHA's Law Department should more aggressively prosecute tenancy termination cases against their households. When NYCHA leaseholders participated in, or knew or should have known of serious criminal activity that is threatening the safety and security of public housing neighbors, NYCHA should prosecute cases through the hearing stage and request that hearing officers authorize eviction of these households. *July 2017 NYCHA REJECTED RECOMMENDATION*:

<sup>&</sup>quot;NYCHA has reviewed its practice and implementation of termination procedures and determined that, broadly, its use of Permanent Exclusion is the appropriate and sufficient response."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> <u>DOI March 2017 Recommendation</u>: NYCHA should make Permanent Exclusion a meaningful remedy by identifying cases involving blatant and repeated Violations of Permanent Exclusion, and aggressively prosecuting these cases to hold their households accountable for failing to exclude known criminal offenders. <u>July 2017 NYCHA</u> <u>REJECTED RECOMMENDATION</u>: "NYCHA Law Department has identified the key criteria for deciding when it should move to terminate a tenant who has violated a Permanent Exclusion order or agreement. These criteria include but are not limited to the nature of the violation, the vulnerability of the tenant and family, the likelihood that the order or agreement will be complied with in the future, as well as the dangerousness of the offender. NYCHA will communicate these criteria to staff so they can be consistently applied."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> <u>DOI March 2017 Recommendation</u>: In cases where the head of household did not participate in or have knowledge of the crime, and particularly where criminal activity stems from gangs or crews based in a specific housing development or neighborhood, NYCHA's Law Department attorneys and/or hearing officers should consider mandating that the household transfer to a different development far away from the locus of crime, and/or downsize to an appropriately-sized apartment. <u>July 2017 NYCHA ACCEPTED RECOMMENDATION</u>: "NYCHA is developing a process for more rigorously pursuing enforcement of these lease and stipulation provisions in those cases that meet certain public safety criteria, such as where (as discussed by DOI) the excluded person is involved in a gang or crew that is based in or around the development where the tenant is currently living, and provided that NYCHA will also consider impact on the family such as whether a would destabilize or harm the family by disconnecting it from important social supports that are based in or around the current place of residence. Achieving these process improvements require completion of new IT systems which are currently being developed."

#### POLICY AND PROCEDURE RECOMMENDATIONS

Following this investigation, DOI again recommends that NYCHA implement, monitor and ensure compliance with the Policy and Procedure Recommendations made in DOI's previous Reports, "NYPD and NYCHA's Roles in Controlling Violent and Narcotics Crime By Removing Criminal Offenders from Public Housing" (December 2015), and "NYCHA Is Still Failing to Remove Dangerous Criminals from Public Housing" (March 2017). DOI further recommends that NYCHA improve its monitoring of Permanent Exclusion by checking whether excluded individuals continue to be reported as part of the household composition, and that NYCHA conduct a comprehensive audit of all arrests referred by NYPD to evaluate NYCHA's tenancy response.

- 1) After identifying violent and recidivist criminal offenders, NYCHA's Law Department should more aggressively prosecute tenancy termination cases against their households. When NYCHA leaseholders participated in, or knew or should have known of serious criminal activity that is threatening the safety and security of public housing neighbors, NYCHA should prosecute cases through the hearing stage and request that hearing officers authorize eviction of these households.
- 2) In cases where the head of household did not participate in or have knowledge of the crime, and particularly where criminal activity stems from gangs or crews based in a specific housing development or neighborhood, NYCHA's Law Department attorneys and/or hearing officers should consider mandating that the household transfer to a different development far away from the locus of crime, and/or downsize to an appropriately-sized apartment.
- 3) NYCHA, including the Anti-Narcotics Strike Force of the Law Department, and Administrative Law Judge hearing officers, should make Permanent Exclusion a meaningful remedy by identifying cases involving blatant and repeated Violations of Permanent Exclusion, and aggressively prosecuting these cases to hold their households accountable for failing to exclude known criminal offenders.
- 4) For compelling reasons of personnel safety and law enforcement authority, NYCHA should strongly consider taking action to transfer the functions of investigating and enforcing Violations of Permanent Exclusion from NYCHA civilian investigators, to officers with law enforcement authority. Transferring these functions to a law enforcement entity would protect investigator safety and enhance the effectiveness of Permanent Exclusion enforcement.
- 5) NYCHA's Law Department should routinely check whether Permanently Excluded individuals continue to be reported as part of the household composition in order to identify households that are ignoring their Permanent Exclusion agreements.

6) In order for NYCHA to understand the scope and impact of dangerous criminal activity by public housing residents and ensure it takes appropriate action, NYCHA should conduct a comprehensive audit of all Cases For Legal Action referred by NYPD,<sup>5</sup> including reviewing the severity and any recurrence of criminal activity and evaluating whether the tenancy resolutions are appropriate, and should refer its findings to DOI.

DOI will continue to monitor NYCHA's response to these recommendations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> As detailed in DOI's prior reports, NYPD advises NYCHA pursuant to longstanding procedures known as Cases for Legal Action when public housing residents are charged with serious violent or drug crimes including murder, rape, robbery, first-degree assault, sex abuse, or firearms offenses, or narcotics-related felonies.

## APPENDIX

On 1/19/18, DOI participated in the joint arrests of 18 individuals and execution of 10 search warrants resulting from this investigation. The defendants were charged as follows:

- 1) **Jameek Baker** (Permanently Excluded in 2015), aka "Jeezy"/"Purp," age 24, Conspiracy 4° and Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance 3° (4 counts)<sup>1</sup>
- 2) **Horace Beal**, aka "H-O," age 26, Conspiracy 2°, Conspiracy 4°, and Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance 2° (2 counts)
- Charles Colbert, aka "Customer Mike," age 39, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 3° and Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 5°
- 4) **Joshua Colon**, aka "Thrizz"/"Yap," age 29, Conspiracy 4°, Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance 3°, and Unlawfully Dealing with a Child 1°
- 5) **Earl Crumpe**, aka "Trey Don"/"Sean," age 33, Conspiracy 4°
- 6) **Lonnie Daniels,** age 41, Criminal Possession of Marijuana 5° and Criminal Use Drug Paraphernalia 2°
- 7) **Keith Daniels** (Permanently Excluded in 2017), aka "Dope"/"Murder," age 32, Conspiracy 4°, Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance 3°, and Unlawfully Dealing with a Child 1°
- 8) Darren Davis, age 45, Conspiracy 4°
- 9) Larry Davis, aka "Big Larry," age 61, Conspiracy 2°, Conspiracy 4°, Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance 1°, Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance 2° (5 counts), Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance 3° (12 counts)
- Matthew Gerard (Permanently Excluded in 2011, 2015, and 2016), aka "MZ"/"Note," age 32, Conspiracy 2°, Conspiracy 4°, Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance 2° (3 counts), Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance 3° (4 counts), Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 3°
- 11) Robert King, aka "Famous"/"Fame," age 29, Conspiracy 4°
- 12) Vivian McGowan, aka "Viv," age 41, Conspiracy 4°
- 13) Jaime Ostron, age 39, Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 7°
- 14) **Ernest Wade**, aka "Big Dog," age 58, Conspiracy 4° and Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance 3°
- 15) **Michael Warren**, aka "Mike-Mike," age 40, Conspiracy 2°, Conspiracy 4°, Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance 1°, Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance 2° (2 counts)
- 16) Shakina Rowe, age 27, Criminal Trespass 3°
- 17) Tanya Choute, age 39, Criminal Possession of Marijuana 5°
- 18) Sherrell Hill, age 29, Criminal Possession of Marijuana 5°

## **Bold indicates unauthorized occupants**

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Baker has been indicted and is awaiting arraignment.