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NYC DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION CAPTAIN INDICTED FOR STEALING \$14,000 IN PAYMENTS FOR HOURS HE DIDN'T WORK Defendant Earned Over \$200,000 Last Year, \$90,000 Was in Overtime Payments

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark and NYC Department of Investigation Commissioner Jocelyn E. Strauber today announced that a NYC Department of Correction Captain has been indicted on Grand Larceny and other charges for collecting at least \$14,000 in fraudulent payments.

District Attorney Clark said, "While the Department of Correction was experiencing a staffing crisis at Rikers Island, the defendant allegedly lied about being at work and stole taxpayer dollars he didn't rightfully earn. With our partners at DOC and DOI we hold civil servants accountable when they violate the public's trust.'

DOI Commissioner Jocelyn E. Strauber said, "This Department of Correction Captain, as alleged, lied about his work hours to make more money, falsely stating that he worked full shifts and overtime when he had not. City employees who inflate their hours steal precious public resources and fail to act with the honor and integrity expected of public servants, particularly those in supervisory roles. I thank DOC for referring this case to DOI and the Bronx District Attorney's Office for its partnership our efforts to combat theft of City time."

District Attorney Clark said Brice Williams, 41, was arraigned today on third-degree Grand Larceny, Defrauding the Government, first-degree Tampering with Public Records, and first-degree Falsifying Business Records before Bronx Supreme Court Justice Kim Parker. The defendant is due back in court on November 27, 2023.

According to the investigation, between May 31, 2021, through September 3, 2021, NYC Department of Correction Captain Brice Williams, who was stationed at the Anna M. Kross Center, allegedly altered logbook and timekeeping entries, and submitted fraudulent overtime requests.



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The investigation found that Willaims on some occasions either came late or didn't show up to work. One incident in which he claimed to work overtime, the defendant was instead at a sushi restaurant in New Jersey.

From May 31, 2021, through July 18, 2021, Williams requested and was paid at least \$14,000 in taxpayer funds for regular and overtime for hours when he was not actually on Rikers Island and was not working.

Williams earned over \$200,000 in wages in 2021—and \$90,000 of that was for premium overtime payments.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Tyler Lee Gibson of the Public Integrity Bureau, under the supervision of Omer Wicyzk, Chief of the Public Integrity Bureau, and under the overall supervision of Denise Kodjo, Deputy Chief of the Investigations Division and Wanda Perez-Maldonado, Chief of the Investigations Division.

District Attorney Clark thanks Trial Preparation Assistant Maria Segura and former Trial Preparation Assistant Carolina Bayuelo of the Public Integrity Bureau as well as former Assistant District Attorney Tracy Williams for their assistance in the case.

District Attorney Clark also thanked confidential DOC and DOI investigators for their work in the investigation under the supervision of Assistant Inspector General Alexandra Caruana, Inspector General Whitney Ferguson, Deputy Commissioner of Strategic Initiatives Christopher Ryan, and Deputy Commissioner/Chief of Investigations Dominick Zarrella.

An indictment is an accusatory instrument and not proof of a defendant's guilt.

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