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## **MEDIA RELEASE – SEPTEMBER 27, 2019**

### **EDISON WOMAN CHARGED WITH OFFICIAL MISCONDUCT**

Acting Hunterdon County Prosecutor Michael J. Williams, Acting Chief of Detectives Frank R. Crisologo, and New Jersey Department of Corrections Acting Commissioner Marcus O. Hicks announced the arrest of an individual on an official misconduct charge.

According to Acting Prosecutor Williams, “On September 26, 2019, Charita C. Wimberley, age 42 of Edison, was arrested and charged with one count of second degree official misconduct, one count of third degree using databases for criminal activity, and one count of third degree accessing a database to obtain services. The investigation conducted by the NJDOC Special Investigation Division revealed that Ms. Wimberley used her position as a contract nurse with NJDOC to access confidential medical records and databases to facilitate an illicit relationship with an inmate at the Mountainview Youth Correctional Facility. Ms. Wimberley was released pending a court appearance.”

“The safety of those in our custody is our top priority,” said New Jersey Department of Corrections Acting Commissioner Marcus O. Hicks, Esq. “Those who violate that safety will be held accountable to the full extent of the law. This case is an example of law enforcement collaboration between NJDOC’s Special Investigations Division, the Hunterdon County Prosecutor’s Office, and the Middlesex County Special Operations Unit to maintain the integrity of both prison safety and the safety of the general public. The NJDOC also wants to acknowledge the assistance of the Edison Police Department.”

The filing of a criminal complaint is merely a step in the criminal justice process. The defendant is presumed innocent until the matter is resolved in a court of law.

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