



Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

Jim Neil, Sheriff

MEDIA RELEASE



THEFT IN OFFICE ARREST

Hamilton County, Ohio, August 27, 2015 – Hamilton County Sheriff Jim Neil reports the arrest of Michael Garvey, charged with Theft in Office.

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office was notified by Hamilton County Clerk of Courts Tracy Winkler of a possible theft allegation against an employee. The allegation was Municipal Civil Deputy Bailiff Michael Garvey was removing property from evictions and selling them for his personal gain.

After a lengthy investigation worked cooperatively by the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office and the Hamilton County Clerk of Courts, with assistance from the Cincinnati Police Department and the Hamilton County Prosecutors Office, an arrest was made on today's date after Garvey stole currency and jewelry items from an eviction and attempted to sell the jewelry at a local business.

Michael Garvey is a male white, 47 years of age who has been an employee of the Hamilton County Civil Bailiff's Division for approximately 8 – 10 years. His duties as a Deputy Bailiff include serving subpoenas and processing eviction orders among other tasks.

Mr. Garvey has been charged with Theft in Office, a felony of the 4th degree. He is being transported to the Hamilton County Justice Center to await arraignment.

Related incidents remain under investigation and anyone with information is asked to contact the Hamilton County Sheriff's Criminal Investigative Section at (513) 851- 6000 or Crime Stoppers at (513) 352-3040.

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