

Former Deputy Warden Indicted for Theft in Office

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Warren County Prosecutor David P. Fornshell announced that the Warren County grand jury has indicted Robert Welch, 57, a Dayton resident and former deputy warden at Warren Correctional Institution, for theft in office (F3), tampering with records (F3), and grand theft (F4).

Welch is accused of using deceptive tactics with Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections (ODRC) time clocks to record over 350 hours of time worked for ODRC over a twelve-month period, when he was not actually working for ODRC during those hours. Instead, Welch spent some of the “on the clock” hours conducting his secondary employment as an adjunct professor. All told, Welch is charged with taking \$18,827.35 in compensation from ODRC for time he fraudulently reported, but was not actually working, for ODRC.

ODRC conducted an administrative investigation and referred the case to the Ohio State Highway Patrol, Office of Criminal Investigations before the case was referred to the Warren County Prosecutor’s Office for prosecution.

Welch will be arraigned on the charges in Warren County Common Pleas Court on November 17, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.



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