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TWO FORMER TALBERT HOUSE GUARDS, THREE INMATES INDICTED

Charges include bribery, abusive sexual contact

CINCINNATI – A federal grand jury here indicted three inmates and two security guards at the Cincinnati halfway house, Talbert House, alleging that a guard accepted cash in return for letting them leave and return to the facility at night. One of the guards is also accused of having a sexual relationship with one of the inmates.

Carter M. Stewart, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio, and John F. Oleskowicz, Special Agent In Charge, U.S. Department of Justice, Office Of The Inspector General, Chicago Field Office announced the indictment today.

The grand jury returned charges against two security guards, Aujeni Washington, age 26, and Isaac Williams, age 22, both of Cincinnati.

The indictment also charges three inmates, Richard Green, age 38, Shawn Mack, age 37, and Marcus Turner, age 31. Green, Mack and Turner were convicted felons who had been placed in Talbert House by the Bureau of Prisons.

The indictment alleges that on at least four occasions, beginning in or about September 2008 and continuing to approximately November 27, 2008, Williams allowed Green, Turner and Mack to leave the facility at night, during the mandated curfew hours, and in violation of the security requirements for the inmates and the facility. In exchange, Green, Turner and Mack allegedly gave Williams money.

The indictment also alleges that on multiple occasions, beginning on or about September 2008 and continuing to approximately November 27, 2008, Washington entered into a sexual relationship with Green, who was in her custody. These instances of sexual contact occurred between Green and Washington both on the premises of the facility and outside of the facility during evening hours.

Washington and Williams resigned from Talbert House after they were confronted by supervisors in November, 2008.

Turner, Green and Mack are each charged with one count of bribing a public official. Williams is charged with acceptance of a bribe by a public official. Bribery is punishable by up to 15 years imprisonment. Washington is charged with one count of abusive sexual contact, which is punishable by up to two years imprisonment.

An indictment is merely an accusation. All defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty in court.

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