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PRESS RELEASE

Indicted: **Rachellyn Mosher**
421 South Third Street
Lopatcong, N.J. 08865
DOB: 10/06/1970

Rachellyn Mosher (nee: Edinger), was the Municipal Tax Collector for White, Harmony, and Lopatcong Townships. On March 11, 2021, Ms. Mosher was indicted by a Hunterdon County Grand Jury after a two-year investigation into the misappropriation of approximately \$824,000 in property tax money paid by residents between 2013 and 2018.

The indictment alleges that, instead of depositing the cash payments of residents into the Townships' bank accounts, Ms. Mosher would keep the money and then tamper with the subsequent entries into the Townships' computer. The indictment alleges that Ms. Mosher stole approximately \$166,000 from White Township, approximately \$124,000 from Harmony Township, and approximately \$534,000 from Lopatcong Township.

The fifteen-count indictment charges the following crimes:

- Count I:** Corruption of Public Resources, First Degree, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:27-12
- Count II:** Official Misconduct, Second Degree, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:30-2
- Count III:** Official Misconduct, Second Degree, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:30-2
- Count IV:** Official Misconduct, Second Degree, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:30-2
- Count V:** Official Misconduct, Second Degree, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:30-2
- Count VI:** Official Misconduct, Second Degree, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:30-2
- Count VII:** Official Misconduct, Second Degree, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:30-2
- Count VIII:** Pattern of Official Misconduct, Second Degree, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:30-7
- Count IX:** Computer Theft, Second Degree, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:20-25
- Count X:** Computer Theft, Second Degree, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:20-25
- Count XI:** Computer Theft, Second Degree, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:20-25
- Count XII:** Theft by Unlawful Taking, Second Degree, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:20-3
- Count XIII:** Tampering with Public Records or Information, Third Degree, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:28-7
- Count XIV:** Tampering with Public Records or Information, Third Degree, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:28-7

Count XV: Tampering with Public Records or Information, Third Degree, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:28-7

First Degree offenses carry a maximum penalty of twenty (20) years in New Jersey State Prison, Second Degree offenses carry a maximum penalty of ten (10) years in New Jersey State Prison, and Third Degree offenses carry a maximum penalty of five (5) years in New Jersey State Prison.

The Warren County Prosecutor's Office conducted the investigation alongside the New Jersey State Police Official Corruption North Unit.

The defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.



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Dated: March 11, 2021