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Former Detention Officer Arrested

Atlanta, GA – Sheriff Patrick Labat announced that a former detention officer with the Fulton County Sheriff's Office is facing more than a dozen charges after being arrested on March 20, 2023.

Kawana Jenkins, 36, is charged with two counts of Improper Sexual Contact by Employee or Agent, five counts of Violation of Oath by a Public Officer, two counts of Reckless Conduct, two counts of Cruelty to Inmates, and one count of Obtain/Procure/Give Inmate Prohibited Item Without Authorization. Jenkins had been employed with the Fulton County Sheriff's Office since December 2019.

Jenkins is accused of inappropriate behavior with a male inmate. The incident, which led to her termination and subsequent arrest, was videotaped in a contraband cellphone which was seized during a shakedown of the Fulton County Jail. Upon confirmation that Jenkins was the subject in the video, she was terminated and charged in relation to the crimes committed.

"As Sheriff of Fulton County, I am committed to transparency and to holding each and every employee accountable to oath they have taken to protect and serve our community." says Fulton County Sheriff Patrick "Pat" Labat. "The actions of this one individual are certainly not a reflection of the men and women of the Fulton County Sheriff's Office. The vast majority of employees are to be commended for their integrity, commitment to service and the work they do day in and day out."

ABOUT THE FULTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE: The mission of the Fulton County Sheriff's Office is Service; through laser-focused efforts to protect the citizens of Fulton County with coordinated law enforcement operations, special strategic teams, and community outreach methods. The Sheriff's Office is constitutionally responsible for the security of all courtrooms, executing arrest warrants, and serving civil papers. In addition, the Sheriff's Office is responsible for the administration and operation of the Fulton County Jail.