

## PRESS RELEASE

## **Sheriff's Employee Arrested for Sexual Misconduct**

July 16, 2014, Sheriff's Office employee arrested for sexual misconduct.

On July 8, 2014, the Sheriff's Office learned of possible criminal conduct concerning Jill Curry, a civilian Jail Services Technician employed by the Washington County Sheriff's Office since October of 2004. The reporting person contacted the Sheriff's Office Professional Standards Unit to investigate the validity of the complaint. It was alleged that Ms. Curry had engaged in criminal activity related to her official duties while working in the Washington County Jail.



That same day, Ms. Curry was placed on administrative leave pending the completion of an external criminal investigation. Sheriff Pat Garrett contacted the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office to request a comprehensive independent criminal investigation.

Today, July 16, 2014, Ms. Curry, was arrested and booked into the Washington County Jail. She is held on \$120,000 bail. She is charged with six counts of first degree Custodial Sexual Misconduct and six counts of first degree Official Misconduct.

The Sheriff's Office investigates all complaints thoroughly and holds all employees accountable for their actions to maintain the highest standards.

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Sheriff Pat Garrett said, "While there's a presumption of innocence in our justice system, this employee is accused of extremely serious misconduct. If the allegations are found to be true, then this employee completely violated my trust and the public's trust and will be dealt with swiftly and appropriately."

The criminal investigation is ongoing and no additional information will be released at this time.