



## Hoboken Police Arrest Blotter



**9/21/23 - 9/27/23**

On **September 21, 2023**, at approximately 1:05 p.m., Police Officers Harry Montalvo and Anthony Olivera responded to ShopRite, 900 Madison St., on reports of a shoplifting. When they arrived, they learned that store security had detained 58-year-old Carol Hipkins of Hoboken, who was observed attempting to leave the store without paying for many items in her bags. The total value of the items stolen was approximately \$233. Hipkins was arrested, transported to Hoboken Police Headquarters, charged with shoplifting, and processed. She was released on a summons with a court date.

On **September 22, 2023**, at approximately 8:45 p.m., Sgt. Francis McCourt was traveling on Newark Street, approaching the intersection of Jackson Street, when he observed two motorcycles with no visible registration. Both motorcycle operators continued to drive, failing to stop at two separate red lights. When Sgt. McCourt activated his emergency lights and audible siren to stop both motorcycles, the riders continued through another red light and drove toward the Second Street Light Rail station, into a cul-de-sac with no other vehicular outlet. Sgt. McCourt positioned his patrol car near the exit, and as he got out of his car, noticed one of the motorcycles driving directly towards him and yelled at him to stop. A New Jersey Transit Police vehicle was also in the area and the officer activated his emergency lights and positioned the car behind the motorcycle. The driver obeyed the Sergeant's commands to stop and get off the bike. The second motorcycle fled the area. Sgt. Jason Falco and Police Officers Anthony Hochstadter, Domenick Allegretta, Harry Montalvo, Ricky Truppner, and Damien Bates arrived on scene. The operator of the stopped motorcycle was identified as 26-year-old Justin Tango of Edison. He was placed under arrest for eluding. Tango was transported to Hoboken Police Headquarters, processed, issued additional summonses for failure to observe a traffic signal, for being unlicensed, and for unclear display of registration, and released from custody.

On **September 23, 2023**, at approximately 3:30 a.m., Police Officers Michael Straten and Andrias Bonilla responded to the area of Second and Bloomfield Streets, where Police Officers Keven De La Cruz and Frank Lombardi had stopped three men, who were threatening another man, with a gun. The same three men, identified as 23-year-old Julian Mangal of Irvington, 24-year-old Justin Matute of Ridgefield Park, and 24-year-old Ronny Abreu of Paterson, were also suspected of threatening other people with a stun gun earlier in the evening. That case remains under investigation. Sgt. Saverio Binetti and Police Officer Aaron Font were also on scene. While officers began to investigate, Matute ran from the scene. Officers chased him and caught him on the 100 block of First Street, where he was placed under arrest. A search incident to arrest located a black handgun in a fanny pack, which was determined to be a BB gun. Officers also found a pocketknife in his possession. He was transported to Hoboken Police Headquarters. The other two actors were also placed under arrest and transported to police headquarters. Det. Michael Losurdo took victim statements. Michael Matute was charged with possession of weapons for unlawful purposes, unlawful possession of weapons, making terroristic threats, and obstructing the administration of law. Mangal was arrested and charged with making terroristic threats. Abreu was arrested and charged with making terroristic threats. Abreu was also found to have an outstanding warrant for drug possession in Ridgefield Park. Matute and Abreu were transported to the Hudson County Correctional Facility. Mangal was released with a summons.

On **September 23, 2023**, at approximately 8:10 p.m., Police Officers Geovanni Cruzado and Anthony Azzoline responded to CVS, 59 Washington St., on reports of a shoplifting in progress. Upon arrival, store employees told them that a man, known to officers as 38-year-old Christopher Johnson of Jersey City, entered the store and took approximately \$271.90 worth of deodorant and soap packages. Police Officer Dominick Allegretta was also on scene. Johnson was charged with shoplifting and defiant trespassing and transported to the Hudson County Correctional Facility.

On **September 23, 2023**, at approximately 5:05 p.m., Police Officers Samuel Flores and Harry Montalvo responded to ShopRite, 900 Madison St., on reports of a shoplifting. Sgt. Jason Falco and Sgt. Francis McCourt also arrived on the scene, where store security had stopped two juveniles who attempted to walk out of the

store without paying for multiple items in a shopping cart, totaling approximately \$431. An adult female had been with them during the theft but left before the juveniles attempted to leave with the stolen items. The adult woman was identified as 38-year-old Nathali Burgos-Minaya of Union City. Burgos-Minaya was contacted, and arrived at police headquarters at approximately 7:10 p.m. She was placed under arrest, processed, and charged with shoplifting and employing juveniles in the commission of a crime. She was also found to have a warrant out of Union Township for drug possession, and one out of Secaucus for theft by deception. Burgos-Minaya was transported to Hudson County Correctional Facility.

On **September 25, 2023**, at approximately 2:30 p.m., Officer Joseph Lupo responded to Hoboken Police Headquarters to process the arrest of 41-year-old Alice Pickett of Jersey City for robbery. Pickett was operating a motorized scooter she took from ShopRite, 900 Madison St., when she entered Classic Cleaners, 601 Grand St., and asked to charge the scooter. While alone in the front of the shop, she took a smartphone off the counter, and left. A man ran after Pickett, and when he approached her to get the phone, she hit him over the head with an umbrella. Police Officer Joseph DiMartino located the phone in Pickett's pocket. Shoprite employees confirmed the scooter was property of the store. Pickett was charged with unlawful possession of a weapon, robbery, and receiving stolen property. She was transported to the Hudson County Correctional Facility.

On **September 25, 2023**, at approximately 4:55 p.m., Sgt. Roary Miller, and Police Officers Ramon Estrella and Ramon Calderon responded to the 200 block of Grand Street for a wellness check on a missing and/or endangered person. That person, identified as 26-year-old Zachary Harrison of Old Lyme, CT, was located and found to have an outstanding warrant out of Bucks County in Pennsylvania. He was transported to Hoboken Police Headquarters for processing and released from custody.

On **September 26, 2023**, at approximately 6:10 p.m., Police Officer Ramon Calderon was patrolling the area of 14th Street and Willow Avenue when he observed a black SUV parked in a way that prohibited a bus from turning onto 14th

Street. It was learned that the driver, identified as 55-year-old Charlene Gordon of Jersey City, was driving with an expired and suspended license. It was also discovered that Gordon had one warrant out of Jersey City and two warrants from Woodbridge. She was placed under arrest and transported to Hoboken Police Headquarters for processing. She was later transported to Jersey City Police Headquarters where she was placed into the custody of Jersey City Police.

\*The charges are merely accusations, and the defendants are presumed innocent unless, and until, proven guilty in a court of law. \*