



## NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**SUBJECT: In-Home Nurse Charged with Theft**

On August 24 at 12:50 a.m., Newark Police were called to a house in the first block of Blue Jay Drive, Newark, where a cancer patient was receiving in-home nursing care. Family members of the patient monitor the house via web-based surveillance cameras.

While watching the real-time footage, a family member noticed the nurse acting suspiciously within the house, entering rooms other than those needed for care of the patient. A family member went to the house and confronted the nurse. Found in the defendant's possession were two diamond rings that had been removed from a filing cabinet in the house. Also found was a small quantity of marijuana and implements used to smoke marijuana.

The defendant was taken into custody at the house and was charged with Felony Theft, Possession of Marijuana, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. It was learned that she was also wanted on two unrelated capiases. She was given \$4,000 unsecured bond for the current charges, and was committed on \$500 secured bond for the capiases. She was also ordered to have no contact with the victim.

The defendant:

Sheena Denice Thompson	3/13/1986 (23 years)	2111 Washington St, Wilmington
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She was working for Right At Home based in Wilmington.

Information related to this investigation can be reported to Cpl. Blake Potocki at 302-366-7110 ext 446 or [Blake.Potocki@cj.state.de.us](mailto:Blake.Potocki@cj.state.de.us). Information can also be anonymously reported to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, where a reward may be available. Text 302NPD and your information to TIP411 (847411).

*The Newark Police Department affirms that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.*

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