



WARREN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

MEDIA RELEASE

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“ Ex-Police Officer to Plead Guilty”

On May 10, 2011, Sgt. Brian Dulle of the Warren County Sheriff's Office was tragically struck and killed while deploying stop sticks involving a fleeing felon. On July 20, 2011, William Ryan Hunt, an ex-police officer from Morrow and Harveysburg Police Departments, organized a memorial golf outing in Sgt. Dulle's name, to raise money for his widow. According to Hunt's self-produced revenue and expense statement, the event made over \$9500 in profit.

In late March 2012, it became known to Sheriff Larry Sims that no money had been transferred to Sgt. Dulle's widow. The family had reported that no money had been transferred into the bank account specifically set up for donations. In early April 2012, an investigation was opened by the Warren County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation Section, into this matter. Investigators were assisted by the U. S. Postal Inspectors during the course of this investigation.

Warren County Prosecutor David Fornshell, requested that Delaware County Ohio Prosecutor Carol O'Brien, take the prosecutorial lead in this investigation. Over the past 10 months the investigation expanded into additional areas of alleged fraud and theft committed by Mr. Hunt, which have resulted into the scheduling of a Bill of Information scheduled for Wednesday, January 30th, at 9 A.M., in Judge Flannery's court room in Lebanon.

The following charges will be presented to Judge Flannery at the hearing:

- 1. Theft (F-5)**
- 2. Theft (F-4)**
- 3. Attempt Tampering with Records (F-4)**
- 4. Attempt Tampering with Evidence (F-4)**

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