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**REYNOLDSBURG MAN FACING 17 CHARGES
ON TWO INDICTMENTS**

A Delaware County Grand Jury returned two indictments against 25-year-old Robert Michael Urban III of Reynoldsburg.

“Mr. Urban posted an online coupon offer for his company, American Window Cleaning in Columbus,” said Delaware County Prosecutor, Carol O’Brien. “After customers signed up, fraudulent charges were reported on their credit cards.”

Urban is charged with theft – a fourth-degree felony, telecommunications fraud – a third-degree felony, identity fraud – a third-degree felony, and misuse of credit cards - a fourth-degree felony.

On a second indictment, Urban is indicted on 13 counts. The two indictments represent separate and unrelated incidences.

The second indictment alleges Urban used credit card numbers that did not belong to him, wrote bad checks, and tried to use checks for accounts that were closed and fraudulent in order to pay a bail bondsman.

Urban is charged with two counts of identity fraud – fourth-degree felonies, two counts of misuse of a credit card – fifth-degree felonies, two counts of theft – fifth-degree felonies, five counts of forgery – fifth-degree felonies, passing bad checks – a fifth-degree felony, and passing bad checks – a first-degree misdemeanor.

A warrant has been issued for Urban’s arrest in Delaware County. He is also facing similar charges in Pennsylvania, where he is in custody.



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Search Warrant Leads to Drug Trafficking Arrest



Issa Alahmad

Delaware County, Ohio – October 17, 2014 – An arrest has been made related to the sale of a new illegal drug that has caused several Delaware County teen-agers to be hospitalized. Known as “crown,” this derivative of marijuana is ingested through an electronic cigarette, also known as a vapor pen.

Issa Alahmad, 49, of Delaware, was arrested and charged with trafficking in drugs, a felony in the first degree. A collaborative effort involving members of the Delaware County Drug Task Force as well as the Delaware County Prosecutor's Office, lead to the execution of multiple search warrants last week, and the October 16 arrest.

“Consider this a warning to those that look to circumvent the drug law. You cannot endanger our residents, especially our children, for profit,” said City of Delaware Police Chief Bruce Pijanowski. “The law enforcement community in Delaware County is committed to fighting this crime.”

Those hospitalized after using crown had symptoms of tremors, nausea, and feeling as if their skin was on fire. On Oct. 8th, Delaware Police responded to Hayes High School when two 14 year-old female students became ill. It was determined both had used crown. Last month, the Sheriff's Office was called to Buckeye Valley High School on a similar incident.

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“With each new variation of a drug, there are unknown and potentially dangerous consequences,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien. “Keeping these drugs and those that supply them off the streets is of the utmost importance for the safety of our children and our community at large.”

Alahmad was arraigned in Municipal Court this morning, and posted his bond.

According to Delaware County Sheriff Russell Martin, “We believe the intent to distribute this drug was an egregious effort to exploit predominantly young users. It might be the worst form of drug dealing and one intended to impact our youth. I could not be more proud of the efforts of our Drug Task Force. We face a constant challenge to stay ahead of this game, but we will never quit the fight to keep illegal drugs off the streets and drug dealers out of our community.”

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DELAWARE MERCHANT INDICTED ON DRUG CHARGES



A Delaware County Grand Jury has returned a three-count indictment against 48-year-old Issa Alahmad of Delaware.

The indictment comes after an investigation by the Delaware County L.E.A.P Drug Task Force led to Alahmad's arrest on October 22.

"Mr. Alahmad is alleged to have prepared drugs for distribution through his business in Delaware, the Full Up station on South Sandusky Street," said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O'Brien. "Because the amount of drugs seized was more than 50 grams, the indictment includes a specification classifying Mr. Alahmad as a major drug offender."

Alahmad is charged with trafficking in drugs – a first-degree felony, engaging in a pattern of corrupt activity – a first-degree felony, and possession of drugs – a first-degree felony.

The drugs in question are controlled substance analogs, meaning the composition is chemically similar to, and has a similar effect on the body as a controlled substance. The investigation and lab analysis on the drugs is ongoing.

An arraignment has been set for Alahmad on October 24 at 10:30 a.m.



Delaware County Prosecutor's Office

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Bond is set at \$200,000 for Issa Alahmad, the Delaware merchant alleged to have prepared drugs for distribution through his business, the Full Up station on Sandusky Street.

Mr. Alahmad pleaded not guilty to all counts. He is charged with trafficking in drugs – a first-degree felony, engaging in a pattern of corrupt activity – a first-degree felony, and possession of drugs – a first-degree felony.



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**TWO COLUMBUS WOMEN INDICTED ON CHARGES OF
FORGERY/RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY**

A Delaware County Grand Jury returned a three-count indictment against Jamesena M. Jones and a nine-count indictment against Katherine R. Price.

“Ms. Jones is alleged to have used counterfeit \$100 bills to make small purchases in order to receive cash back,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien.

Jones, 26 of Columbus, is charged with three counts of forgery – all fifth-degree felonies. The indictment specifies two counts on March 24, 2014 and one count on March 31, 2014.

“The second defendant, Katherine Price, was found to have several credit cards, a debit card, a checkbook and separate check that did not belong to her,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien. “The items were found to be reported stolen from residents in Baltimore, Columbus, Westerville, and Worthington.”

Price, 33 of Columbus, is charged with eight counts of receiving stolen property – all fifth-degree felonies, and one count of receiving stolen property – a first-degree misdemeanor.

Arraignments for each have not yet been set.