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### **Former Fulton County Detention Officer Arrested**

**Atlanta, GA** – Sheriff Patrick Labat announced that a former detention officer with the Fulton County Sheriff's Office is facing criminal charges after using excessive force.

Monique Clark, 31 years old, who joined the Fulton County Sheriff's Office in 2016, is charged with one count of Aggravated Assault (Felony), one count of Violation of Oath by Public Officer (Felony) and one misdemeanor count of Reckless Conduct.

The charges stem from Clark willfully and intentionally using excessive and unnecessary force during the exchange of custody of a detainee at the Alpharetta Police Department on June 5, 2023.

“The indefensible acts of this one officer do not reflect the mission of the Fulton County Sheriff's Office,” says Fulton County Sheriff Patrick “Pat” Labat. “As Sheriff of Fulton County, I am committed to transparency and to holding each and every employee accountable to protect and serve every member of our community, including those in our custody. Being a detention officer is a difficult job but even under challenging circumstances there is absolutely no excuse for the behavior that led to this arrest.”

Clark has been terminated. Body camera video of the incident is in the custody of the Alpharetta Police Department and will be released once that agency has concluded its internal affairs investigation.

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**ABOUT THE FULTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE:** The mission of the Fulton County Sheriff's Office is Service; through laser-focused efforts to protect the citizens of Fulton County with coordinated law enforcement operations, special strategic teams, and community outreach methods. The Sheriff's Office is constitutionally responsible for the security of all courtrooms, executing arrest warrants, and serving civil papers. In addition, the Sheriff's Office is responsible for the administration and operation of the Fulton County Jail.