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## **BROOME COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE PRESS RELEASE**

### **17 Felony Charges After Fentanyl, PCP and Other Contraband Found in Cell**

(TOWN OF DICKINSON) A federally housed inmate at the Broome County Correctional Facility is facing 17 felony charges after investigators found fentanyl, PCP and other contraband hidden in his cell.

On October 24, 2023, members of the Corrections Criminal Investigations Unit conducted cell searches in Housing Pod B of the Broome County Correctional Facility. Among the cells searched was cell 105, which housed Freddie D. Brown, age 41 of Baldwinsville. Brown is a federally housed inmate who had transferred to the Broome County Correctional Facility earlier in October.

During the search, investigators located a sock between the mattress and the wall of Brown's cell. The sock contained several tightly wrapped cellophane bundles, along with brown, leafy substances rolled into the shape of a cigarette hidden behind Brown's toilet paper.

Brown was then removed from the housing unit and a secondary search of Brown's cell was conducted with additional items of contraband discovered in the cell.

In total, investigators found the following items in Brown's cell:

- 8 pieces of white paper that field tested positive for fentanyl.
- 1 piece of paper that field tested positive for phencyclidine (PCP).
- 13 pieces of discolored paper that field tested positive for synthetic cannabinoids.
- 6 pieces of cardstock that field tested positive for synthetic cannabinoids.
- 2 glove fingers containing a brown leafy substance identified as tobacco.
- 2 glove fingers containing a green and brown leafy substance that field tested positive for synthetic cannabinoids.
- 1 piece of envelope that field test positive for synthetic cannabinoids.
- 1 hand rolled brown leafy substance identified as tobacco.

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As a result of the investigation, Freddie Brown, Jr. was charged with the following:

- Two Counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree, Class B Felonies
- Four Counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 5<sup>th</sup> Degree, Class D Felonies
- Eleven Counts of Promoting Prison Contraband in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree, Class D Felonies

Brown was arraigned for the charges in the Town of Dickinson Court earlier this month.

“Great work by our Corrections Investigations Unit catching another attempt to smuggle dangerous illegal drugs and contraband into the Broome County Correctional Facility,” said Sheriff Fred Akshar. “While it’s common for federally housed incarcerated individuals to stay at the Broome County Correctional Facility as they await their day in court, they are held to the same standard as all those housed within the facility. We have zero tolerance for smuggled items that jeopardize the health and safety of those living and working within our walls.”

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