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## **Criminal Charges Filed Against A Columbus Police Officer**

On Thursday, February 9, 2023, the Columbus Division of Police was notified by the Columbus City Attorney's Office that charges were filed against Columbus Police Officer Connie Brant.

Officer Brant has been with the Division for 24 years and for the past 9 years has been assigned to the Accident Investigation Unit.

The 9 Dereliction of Duty charges filed against Officer Brant were the result of an internal investigation completed at the direction of Chief Elaine R. Bryant. Officer Brant had been relieved of duty since early October of 2022. Internal Affairs has begun an administrative investigation into Officer Brant now that criminal charges have been filed. Based on these charges, at the conclusion of the administrative investigation, termination may be recommended to the Public Safety Director.

The Division will provide any future updates on this case.

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