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QUINCY POLICE LIEUTENANT CONVICTED OF "DOUBLE DIPPING"

BOSTON – A Lieutenant with the Quincy Police Department (QPD) was convicted today by a federal jury in Boston of collecting double pay in 2015.

Thomas Corliss, 52, was convicted following an eight-day jury trial of 10 counts of mail fraud and one count of fraud involving federal funds. U.S. District Court Judge Leo T. Sorokin scheduled sentencing for Sept. 7, 2017.

An internal investigation by the QPD revealed that Corliss had "double dipped," or collected double pay for working multiple details and/or police shifts that overlapped on multiple occasions in 2015. While on vacation in the Bahamas and on Martha's Vineyard in 2015, Corliss left himself on the daily roster rather than using vacation time. In total, Corliss defrauded the QPD of more than \$8,000.

The charge of mail fraud provides for a sentence of no greater than 20 years in prison, three years of supervised release and a fine of \$250,000. The charge of fraud involving federal funds provides for a sentence of no greater than 10 years in prison, three years of supervised release and a fine of \$250,000. Sentences are imposed by a federal district court judge based upon the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and other statutory factors.

Acting United States Attorney William D. Weinreb; Ronald G. Gardella, Special Agent in Charge of the Department of Justice, Office of the Inspector General, New York Field Office; and Harold H. Shaw, Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Boston Field Division made the announcement today. Assistant U.S. Attorneys Dustin Chao and Ryan M. DiSantis of Weinreb's Public Corruption Unit are prosecuting the case.

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