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Incident: Give/Sell Phone/Electronic Device to Inmate

Location: Nash County Detention Center, 222 W. Washington St., Nashville, NC

Suspect: Quintin Cardel Higgs, B/M, 26-years-old

100 block of Biltmore Place, Rocky Mount, NC 27804

Detention Officer Charged with 8 Counts of Give/Sell Phone/Electronic Device to Inmate

On Tuesday, July 17, 2018, the Nash County Sheriff's Office arrested a detention officer for providing cell phones to Nash County Detention Center inmates. The Nash County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division began their investigation into Quintin Cardel Higgs, 26, in April, about six months after he was hired in October 2017.

During the investigation, the sheriff's office gained information and found evidence Higgs was smuggling with the intent to provide cell phones to at least eight inmates. The sheriff's office immediately terminated Higgs and he was charged with eight felony counts of Give/Sell Phone/Electronic Device to Inmate at the Nash County Detention Center.

Higgs received a \$175,000.00 secured bond and was sent to a detention center in a neighboring county. First appearance in Nashville District Court has been set for Thursday, July 19, 2018.