



Jefferson Parish Office of Inspector General

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METAIRIE MAN GUILTY OF THEFT IN 24th DISTRICT COURT AFTER JPOIG INVESTIGATION

On August 26, 2021, **BARRY P. MCGUINNESS**, 54, of Metairie, Louisiana entered a plea of guilty in 24th Judicial District Court to one count of THEFT UNDER \$750 following an investigation conducted by the Jefferson Parish Office of Inspector General (JPOIG) and the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Bureau.

McGuinness, a former Parish employee and manager at Lafreniere Park, was sentenced to 6 months in the Parish Prison, but he was given credit for time served. The sentence was DEFERRED, and the Defendant was placed on active probation for a term of 1 year.

In addition to all general conditions of probation, the Defendant is ordered to pay all court costs, fines, and fees. Defendant is also ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$13,709.70. A restitution hearing is scheduled for September 30, 2021 in which the Defendant will be able to supply evidence that may lower his restitution amount.

The JPOIG appreciates both the support provided by our partners at the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office and the outstanding cooperation provided by the Parish Administration during and after the investigation.

Detective Stephen L. Bowman of the Property Crimes Division of the JPSO filed charges against the Defendant. The Honorable E. Adrian Adams presided over the case, and Assistant District Attorney Zachary Grate prosecuted the case.

You can view all reports and memorandum from the JPOIG [here](#).
