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## **Attorney General Steve Marshall Announces Indictment of Former Akron Town Clerk on Theft and Ethics Charges**

(MONTGOMERY) – Attorney General Steve Marshall announced the indictment and arrest of Diann Taylor, the former town clerk for the town of Akron, in Hale County, on theft and ethics charges. Taylor, 42, who served as town clerk until November 2020, surrendered to authorities on Wednesday and was released on bond.

The indictment charges Taylor with three counts:

- Intentionally using her official position as the Town Clerk of Akron to access the town's public library bank account to receive up to \$115,184.40 in either cash or debit card purchases for herself, a family member, or business with which she was associated.
- Theft of up to \$115,184.40.
- Making a false statement to an employee of the Alabama Ethics Commission.

If convicted, Taylor faces a maximum penalty of between two-and-20 years imprisonment for each of the first two criminal charges and up to one year for the ethics charge.

The case is being prosecuted by the Alabama Attorney General's Special Prosecutions Division with the assistance of the Department of Examiners of Public Accounts and the Alabama Ethics Commission.

No further information about the investigation or about the defendant's alleged crimes may be released at this time.

*\*An indictment or warrant is merely an accusation. Defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.*

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