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## ***County of Warren***

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### PRESS RELEASE

**ARRESTED: Joseph M. Binkiewicz**  
**11 Spring Meadow**  
**Oxford, NJ 07863**  
**DOB: April 2, 1988**  
**Occupation: Unemployed**


On February 5, 2010, the above listed individual was arrested following the execution of an arrest warrant at 11 Spring Meadow, Township of Oxford, Warren County, New Jersey. The arrest warrant was executed by the Bloomfield Township (Essex County) Police Department with the assistance of the Washington Township Police Department, the Washington Township Police Department Special Enforcement Team and the Warren County Prosecutor's Office/Narcotics Task Force and the Drug Enforcement Administration. During the execution of the arrest warrant, the defendant was found to be in possession of various prescription narcotics including but not limited to oxycodone (commonly known as Oxycontin), oxycodone/acetaminophen (commonly known as percocet), diazepam (commonly known as valium) and alprazolam (commonly known as Xanax). According to the Drug Enforcement Administration, the estimated street value of the recovered drugs exceeds \$200,000.

Binkiewicz was originally charged with one (1) count of Burglary, a third degree offense in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:18-2 and one(1) count of Theft, a third degree offense in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:20-3 for offenses in Bloomfield, Essex County. As a result of the recovery of the controlled dangerous substances described above, Binkiewicz was also charged with one (1) count of possession of a controlled dangerous substance with the intent to distribute, a second degree offense in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5a(1) and 2C:35-5b(4) and one (1) count of possession of a controlled dangerous substance, a third degree offense in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:35-10(a)(1).

The second degree crime carries a penalty of up to ten (10) years in New Jersey State Prison and a fine of up to \$150,000. Each third degree crime carries a maximum penalty of five (5) years in New Jersey State Prison. The burglary and theft charges each carry a fine of up to \$15,000 and the drug possession charge carries a fine of up to \$35,000.

Binkiewicz will be lodged in the Essex County Correctional Center in default of \$75,000 bail without a 10% option set by J. Edward Palmer., J.M.C.. First appearance before Warren County Superior Court Judge John J. Coyle, Jr. is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on Monday, February 8, 2010 in Courtroom No. 1 of the Warren County Courthouse.

Please be advised that the defendant is presumed innocent of all charges unless and until proven guilty.

  
ANGELA F. BORKOWSKI  
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Dated: February 5, 2010