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PRESS RELEASE

Arrested: **ERICK A. SLOCUM**
 1329 SPRUCE STREET
 EASTON, PENNSYLVANIA 18045
 DOB: 3-23-1984

The above-named individual was arrested on Tuesday, October 21, 2008 by Detective Sergeant John Amey of the Hackettstown Police Department and Detective Melissa Viscomi of the Warren County Prosecutor's Office on charges of Sexual Assault and Sexual Contact. Sexual Assault is a second-degree crime. Sexual Contact is a fourth-degree crime. The second-degree crime carries a maximum term of imprisonment of up to ten (10) years in New Jersey State Prison. A fourth-degree crime carries a maximum term of imprisonment of up to (18) months in New Jersey State Prison.

The complaint alleges that on October 27, 2007, the defendant sexually assaulted an adult female in Hackettstown, New Jersey. The victim met the suspect earlier that evening through a mutual friend.

Bail was set by the Honorable John H. Pursel, J.S.C. at \$100,000.00, no ten percent. The defendant's bail also includes conditions that the defendant does not have contact with the victim. The defendant is currently lodged in Warren County Correctional Center. The defendant's first appearance is scheduled for Wednesday, October 22, 2008 at 1:30 p.m. before Honorable John J. Coyle, Jr., J.S.C.

Detective Sergeant John Amey of the Hackettstown Police Department and Detective Melissa Viscomi of the Warren County Prosecutor's Office conducted the investigation.

Please be advised that the charges are merely accusations and that the defendant is presumed innocent until or unless proven guilty.

Approved By:



THOMAS S. FERGUSON
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Date: October 22, 2008