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**LOUISVILLE METRO POLICE DEPARTMENT DETECTIVE INDICTED FOR
PERJURY**

Today the Jefferson County Grand Jury returned an indictment against Louisville Metro Police Department Detective John David Green charging him with two counts of Perjury in the First Degree as a result of his having knowingly given material false testimony in a probable cause hearing in Jefferson District Court in October 2018 and in a presentation to a Jefferson County grand jury in November 2018. In August 2018 Green had been assigned to investigate an employee theft at a local McDonald's restaurant and ended up charging a McDonald's employee for the theft. In giving testimony against that employee Green stated that he had watched hours of store surveillance video which showed that the person charged was responsible for the theft. Once the case had been indicted and the surveillance video reviewed by the defense, it was obvious that a different employee had committed the theft. While Green believed he had charged the correct person, it is alleged that Green charged the employee without actually having watched the store surveillance video as he had testified and had he actually watched the video he would have known that he had charged the wrong person.

Green faces a maximum penalty of ten years in prison.

The case has been assigned to Division One of Jefferson Circuit Court and Green is expected to be formally arraigned there on Monday, January 25, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. Commonwealth's Attorney Tom Wine and Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Scott Drabenstadt are the prosecutors.

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