



State of New Mexico

Department of Public Safety

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State Police Arrest Woman in Kidnapping Case

Albuquerque—State Police arrest a woman accused of kidnapping. The State of Kentucky has issued a felony arrest warrant for Patricia Swearingen charging her with custodial interference. A State Police agent conducted surveillance, based on a tip, and was able to arrest Patricia at a post office in Albuquerque Tuesday evening.

The officer approached Patricia and identified himself and began to identify her. She provided a different name and several dates of birth. When asked if she was Patricia Swearingen she began to yell for two children that were with her to run while she struggled with the officer. She and the children were taken into custody after the brief struggle. All three were transported to the State Police office and the young girl was turned over to the custody of CYFD. Patricia was charged with Assault on a Police Officer, Resisting, Evading and the outstanding warrant from Kentucky.

Attached are the posters from the Missing and Exploited Children website.

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ZOELY DAWN SWEARINGEN-FOWLER

Case Type: Family Abduction

DOB: Feb 24, 2004

Missing Date: Sep 18, 2008

Age Now: 5

Missing City: HENDERSON

Missing State : KY

Missing Country: United States

Case Number: NCMC1117983

Circumstances: Zoey was allegedly abducted by her mother, Patricia Swearingen. A felony warrant for Custodial Interference was issued for the abductor on February 6, 2009. They may travel out of state. Patricia's nickname is Trish.

Sex: Female

Race: White

Height: 3'6" (107 cm)

Weight: 65 lbs (29 kg)

Hair Color: Brown

Eye Color: Brown



Case Handled By:



National Center for Missing & Exploited Children

PATRICIA MICHELLE SWEARINGEN

(Abductor)

Case Type: Family Abduction

DOB: Feb 24, 1964

Missing Date: Sep 18, 2008

Age Now: 45

Missing City: HENDERSON

Missing State : KY

Missing Country: United States

Case Number: NCMC1117983

Sex: Female

Race: White

Height: 5'4" (163 cm)

Weight: 120 lbs (54 kg)

Hair Color: Red

Eye Color: Green

Circumstances: Zoey was allegedly abducted by her mother, Patricia Swearingen. A felony warrant for Custodial Interference was issued for the abductor on February 6, 2009. They may travel out of state. Patricia's nickname is Trish.