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LOTERICK COURT OF NEW GRISS H LAW DIVISION - CRIMINAL

State Grand Jury

Number <u>SGJ534-07-5</u>

Superior Court 07-01-00002-5

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

v. ) INDICTMENT

CATHERINE GANGAWARE

The Grand Jurors of and for the State of New Jersey, upon their oaths, present that:

### COUNT ONE

(Official Misconduct - Second Degree)

### CATHERINE GANGAWARE

between in or about January 2001 and in or about July 2005, at the Township of Bethlehem, in the County of Hunterdon, elsewhere, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, did commit the offense of official misconduct, in that the said CATHERINE GANGAWARE, acting with the purpose to obtain a benefit for herself or another or to injure or deprive another of a benefit in excess of \$200, did commit an act relating to her office, but constituting an unauthorized exercise of her official functions, knowing that such act was unauthorized or that she was committing it in an unauthorized manner or did refrain from performing a duty imposed upon her by law or clearly inherent in the nature of her office;

public servant, to wit: the Chica Financial Childer of the Township of Bethlehem, having thereby the official functions and duties, among others, to oversee the finances of the Township of Bethlehem, to manage fiscal matters in the Township of Bethlehem in accordance with the governing procedures, resolutions, ordinances and law, to perform her duties in a legal and proper manner, to display good faith, honesty and integrity, and to be impervious to corrupting influences, did (a) apply or dispose of funds belonging to the government, to wit: the Township of Bethlehem, in a manner which the said CATHERINE GANGAWARE knew was unlawful and involved substantial risk of loss or detriment to the owner of the property or (b) knowingly unlawfully take or exercise unlawful control over movable property to which she was not entitled, to wit: funds in excess of \$200, from the Township of Bethlehem for her personal gain, with the purpose to secure a benefit to herself or another in excess of \$200, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:30-2, and against the peace of this State, the government and dignity of same.

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### (Official Misconduct - Second Degree)

### CATHERINE GANGAWARE

-between in or about January 2000 and in or about September 2005, at the Township of Washington, in the County of Warren, elsewhere, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, did commit the offense of official misconduct, in that the said CATHERINE GANGAWARE, acting with the purpose to obtain a benefit for herself or another or to injure or to deprive another of a benefit in excess of \$200, did commit an act relating to her office, but constituting an unauthorized exercise of her official functions, knowing that such act was unauthorized or that she was committing it in an unauthorized manner or did refrain from performing a duty imposed upon her by law or clearly inherent in the nature of her office; that is the said CATHERINE GANGAWARE, then and there being a public servant, to wit: the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Washington, having thereby the official functions and duties, among others, to oversee the finances of the Township of Washington, to manage fiscal matters in the Township of Washington in accordance with the governing procedures, resolutions, ordinances and law, to perform her duties in a legal and proper manner, to display good faith, honesty and integrity, and to be impervious to corrupting influences, did (a) apply or dispose of funds belonging to the

the said CATHERINE GANGAWARE knew was unlawful and involved substantial risk of loss or detriment to the owner of the property or (b) knowingly unlawfully take or exercise unlawful-control over movable property to which she was not entitled, to wit: funds in excess of \$200, from the Township of Washington for her personal gain, with the purpose to secure a benefit to herself or another in excess of \$200, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:30-2, and against the peace of this State, the government and dignity of same.

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# (Pattern of Official Misconduct - Second Degree) CATHERINE GANGAWARE

between on or about March 15; 2003 and on or about September 30, -2005, at the Township of Bethlehem, in the County of Hunterdon, at the Township of Washington, in the County of Warren, elsewhere, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, did commit two or more acts of Official Misconduct, each in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:30-2, that is, the said CATHERINE GANGAWARE, then and there being a public servant, to wit: the Chief Financial Officer in the Township of Bethlehem or the Chief Financial Officer in the Township of Washington, having thereby the official functions and duties, among others, to oversee the finances of the Township of Bethlehem, to manage fiscal matters in the Township of Bethlehem in accordance with the governing procedures, resolutions, ordinances and law, to oversee the finances of the Township of Washington, to manage fiscal matters in the Township of Washington in accordance with the governing procedures, resolutions, ordinances and law, to perform her duties in a legal and proper manner, to display good faith, honesty and integrity, and to be impervious to corrupting influences, did commit two or more acts of official misconduct by knowingly: (a) applying or disposing of funds belonging to the government, to wit: the Township of Bethlehem and/or the Township of Washington, in a

involved substantial risk of loss or detriment to the owner of the property or (b) unlawfully taking or exercising unlawful control over moveable property to which she was not entitled, to wit: funds in excess of \$200, from the Township of Bethlehem or the Township of Washington for her personal gain, all with the purpose to secure benefits to herself in excess of \$200, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:30-7, and against the peace of this State, the government and dignity of same.

## (Theft By Unlawful Taking - Third Degree)

### CATHERINE GANGAWARE

between in or about January 2000 and in or about September 2005,—at the Township of Bethlehem, in the County of Hunterdon, at the Township of Washington, in the County of Warren, elsewhere, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, knowingly did unlawfully take or exercise unlawful control over the movable property of the Township of Bethlehem or the Township of Washington that is, funds in excess of \$500, with purpose to deprive the owner thereof, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:20-3a and N.J.S.A. 2C:20-2b(4), and against the peace of this State, the government and dignity of same.

(Misapplication of Entrusted Property and Property of Government - Third Degree)

### CATHERINE GANGAWARE

between in or about January 2000 and in or about September 2005, at the Township of Bethlehem, in the County of Hunterdon, at the Township of Washington, in the County of Warren, elsewhere, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, knowingly did apply or dispose of property, to wit: funds, belonging to the government, to wit: the Township of Bethlehem or the Township of Washington, in a manner which the said CATHERINE GANGAWARE knew was unlawful and involved substantial risk of loss or detriment to the owner of the property, thereby deriving a benefit in excess of \$1,000, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:21-15 and N.J.S.A. 2C:21-8.1b, and against the peace of this State, the government and dignity of same.

Gregory A. Paw, A.A.G.
Director
Division of Criminal Justice

A TRUE BILL:

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Foreperson

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ORDER OF VENUE

CATHERINE GANGAWARE

An Indictment having been returned to this Court by the State Grand Jury in the above captioned matter

IT IS ORDERED on this day of pursuant to paragraph 8 of the State Grand Jury Act, that the County of Hunterdon be and hereby is designated as the County of venue for the purpose of trial.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Superior Court shall transmit forthwith the Indictment in this matter and a certified copy of this Order to the Criminal Division Manager of the County of Hunterdon or filing.