



Police Department

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TO: Press Sources

DATE OF ARREST: July 24th 2014

INCIDENT: Female arrested for Burglary and Robbery

On July 24th at approximately 7:00 pm the Town of Hyde Park Police Department were dispatched to the Culinary Institute of America for a report of a robbery which just occurred. The victim stated that Michelle J Blackford came to her dormitory with the purpose of seeking out the victim in order to retrieve monies owed to a third party. The victim was attempting to close the door on Blackford before she forcefully entered the room of the victim. Blackford then physically held and verbally threatened physical harm to the victim unless the victim gave her \$50. Blackford stole the money from the victim and left the room. Hyde Park Police Officers responded and subsequently arrested Blackford. The victim only sustained minor injuries.

Michelle J Blackford a Yuba City, California resident was arrested and arraigned before Judge Steinberg. Blackford was remanded to the Dutchess County Jail on \$20,000 cash or \$40,000 bond bail. Blackford is due back in The Town of Hyde park Justice Court on 07-29-14 at 2:00pm.

Arrested: Michelle J Blackford a 49 year old Yuba City California resident.

Charges: Burglary in the 2nd Degree a Class C Felony
Robbery in the 3rd Degree a Class D Felony
Unlawful Imprisonment in the 2nd Degree a Class A Misdemeanor
Petit Larceny a Class A Misdemeanor
Harassment in the 2nd Degree a Violation of Law

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