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NYC DOE Teacher Arrested/Report Available

An investigation conducted by the Office of Special Commissioner of Investigation Richard J. Condon resulted in an arrest earlier today. Detectives from the Queens County District Attorney's Office arrested 29-year-old Derek Platov, a Mathematics teacher who was assigned to IS 145 in Queens, on charges of Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument in the 2nd degree, Falsifying Business Records in the 1st degree, and Petit Larceny.

The Special Commissioner's investigation found that Platov submitted a falsified Jury Duty Certificate of Service to obtain additional time off from work. Platov reported for jury duty in Richmond County even though he resides in New York County. Details regarding Platov's misconduct are available in a report released today.

Platov has resigned from his employment with the Department of Education and is not eligible to work in the New York City school system. The Special Commissioner thanks Queens County District Attorney Richard A. Brown and his office for their assistance with this matter.

The Office of the Special Commissioner of Investigation is part of the New York City Department of Investigation and Special Commissioner Condon reports to Commissioner Rose Gill Hearn.