



Ex-State Police lieutenant indicted by federal grand jury in OT fraud scandal



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A former Massachusetts State Police lieutenant was indicted by a federal grand jury on an embezzlement charge Wednesday, the latest development in the widening trooper overtime fraud scandal.

David Wilson, 57, of Charlton, was charged by a criminal complaint in late June, triggering a limited window in which a grand jury could hand up an indictment. An arraignment date has not yet been set. His attorney could not immediately be reached for comment.

Wilson is one of six troopers who face federal charges for allegedly collecting pay for overtime hours they did not work, and writing phony, "ghost" traffic citations to make it appear they had worked.

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Two of the six have pleaded guilty, agreeing to serve time in prison and pay back money they stole.

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An ongoing internal audit by State Police has led to accusations of pay abuse against 46 current and former troopers, prompting the agency to forward their names and evidence to state and federal prosecutors for criminal probes.

The agency has announced a slate of reforms to address the alleged fraud and a series of other controversies that surfaced over the past year.

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