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Sheriff Announces Arrest of Employee

COVINGTON, LA - St. Tammany Parish Sheriff Jack Strain announced today the arrest of a female employee at the Parish Jail. Cheryl Ziegler (172 S. Cherrywood Ln, Pearl River – DOB: 1/22/1967) had been employed at the jail since 2001.

The arrest was not related to Ziegler's employment with the Sheriff's Office. Her badge and commission were revoked immediately upon her arrest.

Deputies responded to a disturbance call at Ziegler's home at approximately 6:30 PM Friday afternoon. The disturbance had been between Ziegler's son and another man, during which the other man was stabbed. When deputies arrived, it was discovered Ziegler had taken the victim, who did not have life threatening injuries, to New Orleans.

Due to the fact that Ziegler attempted to hinder the investigation by removing the man from the scene of a crime, she was arrested and booked with one count of obstruction of justice. She was released Saturday on a \$5,000 bond.

Ziegler's son, Tyrell Batiste (same address – DOB: 3/8/1991) was also arrested. Batiste was booked with one count of aggravated battery and one count of possession of marijuana. Batiste remains in the jail on a \$20,000 bond.

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