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NEWS RELEASE

Special Victims Unit Charge Two after Stealing Elderly Victim's Wallet and Racking up Thousands of Dollars in Charges

Date & Time: Tuesday, January 16, 2018 – Monday, February 19, 2018
Location: 8600 Gateway
Arrested 1: 19 – year old, Sharon Lee HARDIN of El Paso, TX
Arrested 2: 37 – year old April D. HARDIN of El Paso, TX

EL PASO, Texas – The El Paso Police Department's Special Victims Unit (SVU) has arrested and charged a Caregiver and her Mother, following a 5-month investigation of Credit Card Abuse and Theft. The investigation revealed that the 19-year old Sharon Lee HARDIN (caregiver) stole the victim's (95-year old Male) wallet in early 2018. Further investigation by SVU, revealed that the S. HARDIN and 37-year old April D. HARDIN (mother of caregiver) proceeded to make unauthorized charges to the victim's credit cards in the approximate amount of \$39,000. SVU secured warrants of arrest for S. HARDIN and A. HARDIN. Both were taken into custody on Thursday, October 4, 2018. S. HARDIN (caregiver) was charged with five (5) counts of Credit Card Abuse, one (1) count of Theft Over \$30,000 – U/\$150,000, four (4) outstanding local warrants, and upon her arrest, she was found to be in possession of Marijuana and charged Over 2 ounces and less than 4 ounces. Her bond totaled \$99,596.50. A. HARDIN (mother of S. Hardin) was charged with five (5) Credit Card Abuse and one (1) count of Theft Over \$30,000.00 – Under \$150,000.00. Her bonds totaled \$99,000.00.

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