



DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

News Release

LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR

Mark J. Bennett, Attorney General
Phone: (808) 586-1282
Fax: (808) 586-1239

For Immediate Release: October 8, 2003 News Release No. 2003-49

YOUTH CORRECTIONAL OFFICER INDICTED ON FELONY CHARGE OF INTIMIDATING A WITNESS

HONOLULU-Attorney General Mark Bennett announced today that Myles Manlinguis was indicted yesterday by an Oahu Grand Jury on the charge of Intimidating a Witness. The indictment alleges that Youth Correctional Officer Manlinguis directed threats to a ward at the Hawaii Youth Correctional Facility to influence his testimony. Manlinguis is currently on administrative leave.

Intimidating a Witness is a class "C" felony punishable by up to five years in prison and by a fine of up to \$10,000.

The indictment is merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless he is proven guilty.

Attorney General Bennett stated: "The State of Hawaii takes very seriously the intimidation of any witness. Intimidation of those witnesses in the custody of the State will not be tolerated."

###

For more information, contact:
Office of the Attorney General
Phone: (808) 586-1500

For detailed information, contact:
Dwight Nadamoto
Deputy Attorney General,
Criminal Justice Division
Telephone: (808) 586-1160
Email: hawaiiag@hawaii.gov