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## City Attorney's Office Releases 'Dirty Dozen' Summer Edition *List features 12 animal abuse suspects with warrants for their arrest*

**COLUMBUS, OH**—Household pets dying of hypothermia and dehydration after being abandoned in the dead of winter. A malnourished dog found with ribs, hips, and spine jutting through scruffy skin after the owner abandoned his house and left his pet alone in the backyard for nearly two weeks without food, water or shelter. Two dogs and two cats caked with feces and urine, hungry and thirsty and riddled with fleas after their owner locked them in crates and left them behind after being evicted from her apartment.

All the owners have outstanding arrest warrants and join nine others as members of the Columbus City Attorney's animal cruelty "Dirty Dozen" this summer. City Attorney Richard C. Pfeiffer, Jr. released the list today in conjunction with his office's summer sweep to bring to justice all individuals in Columbus with outstanding arrest warrants for crimes against animals.

**"Thankfully, many of the animal victims were rescued and nursed back to health by our partners at the Capital Area Humane Society," said City Attorney Richard C. Pfeiffer, Jr. "But we still want justice for the suffering these pets endured."**

The animal cruelty "Dirty Dozen" includes Calvin Dale Channell, 52, who was convicted in 2011 for abandoning the animals he reportedly bred and let them freeze to death. After his eventual release from jail, Channell fell off the grid and is currently wanted for violating the terms and conditions of his probation. It is also feared that he has killed again, as Buddy, a blue crown conure parrot somehow left in Channell's care, went missing and is presumed dead.

There's also the mother and daughter duo of Charlotte Mae and Christa Badgley, formerly of the city's south side, who have a total of 16 criminal counts of cruelty to animals and abandoning animals between them. They are accused of abandoning 10 sick cats and two sick dogs in incomprehensible filth in a trailer home piled high with trash and debris and infested with lice and fleas.

**"I don't understand how human beings can subject themselves and their pets to such disgusting living conditions," said Assistant City Prosecutor Bill R. Hedrick. "A jail cell might seem like the Ritz-Carlton compared to their normal squalor."**

The full list of the "Dirty Dozen" and their charges can be found on the City Attorney's web site ([www.columbuscityattorney.org](http://www.columbuscityattorney.org)) or by clicking [here](#).

Anyone with information on any of these individuals is asked to contact Bill Hedrick at 614.645.8874 or [brhedrick@columbus.gov](mailto:brhedrick@columbus.gov). Hedrick compiled the "Dirty Dozen" list and is coordinating the summer sweep on City Attorney Pfeiffer's behalf.