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## **RED-HEADED THIEF CAUGHT RED-HANDED**

*Fugitive of the Week was on probation for theft when she stole again*

**COLUMBUS, OH**—Columbus City Attorney Richard C. Pfeiffer, Jr. announced that Michelle Suzanne O’Harra is the latest target of his “Fugitive of the Week” program. O’Harra, 41, is wanted on multiple arrest warrants for failing to appear in court to answer charges against her in two theft cases and a possession of drug paraphernalia case.

**“Thousands of people try to skip out on their court dates each year,” said City Attorney Richard C. Pfeiffer, Jr. “We’re trying to stem that tide by seeking the public’s help in bringing these transgressors to justice.”**

In her two theft cases, O’Harra is accused of stealing two pairs of men’s skinny jeans, two-dozen TaylorMade golf balls, a set of steak knives, and a \$20 bottle of insect killer, among other items.

At the time her arrest warrants were issued, O’Harra was on probation for an earlier theft conviction. She received a 175-day suspended sentence from that case and now faces the possibility of serving out the sentence in jail once she is arrested. Her criminal background includes felony theft, multiple petty theft charges, receiving stolen property, complicity to commit felony forgery, and solicitation. She has a history of arrests in Montgomery County, Delaware County, Upper Arlington, Grandview, and Columbus.

**“Oftentimes thieves don’t stop stealing, they just find ways to stop getting caught,” said Assistant City Prosecutor Bill R. Hedrick, who leads the fugitive apprehension program on Pfeiffer’s behalf. “We’re hoping public attention will make sure this red-headed thief gets red-faced enough to turn herself in or leads to her arrest.”**

Anyone with information on Michelle Suzanne O’Harra, whose last known address is 151 Buena Vista Ave. on the city’s west side, should contact Hedrick at 614.645.8874 or [brhedrick@columbus.gov](mailto:brhedrick@columbus.gov).

As always, the subjects of the City Attorney’s “Fugitive of the Week” program are strongly encouraged to seek legal counsel and turn themselves in. The [Columbus Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service](#) can be reached at 614.221.0754 and the [Franklin County Public Defender’s Office](#) can be reached at 614.525.3194.

# WANTED



## **Michelle O'Harra**

(aka Michelle O'Hara)

**Last Known Address:**

151 Buena Vista Ave.  
Columbus, OH 43228

**DOB:** 1-16-70 (Age 41)

**Height:** 5'9" **Weight:** 145

**Hair:** Red **Eyes:** Blue

**Case Numbers:**

2011 CRB 011403  
2011 CRB 011928  
2011 CRB 023632

**Charge(s):**

2913.02(A1) – Theft (two counts)  
2925.14(C1) – Drug Paraphernalia