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## INFORMATION RELEASE

**Solano Sheriff Correctional Officer Arrested for Workman's' Compensation Fraud** Solano County Sheriff's Office July 27, 2009

Sheriff Gary Stanton and District Attorney David Paulson announced the arrest of a Solano County Correctional Officer on eight counts of workers' compensation insurance fraud.

Correctional Officer Aaron Janes, 29, of Vacaville, was arrested today at the Solano County Jail Claybank Facility and booked on charges of committing eight counts of insurance fraud. If convicted, Janes could face up to five years in state prison, and up to \$50,000 in fines.

"Committing workers' compensation fraud is never a smart idea", said Sheriff Gary Stanton. "This is especially true when you work for a law enforcement agency that has experts who are trained to catch individuals who break the law. "It is estimated that the cost of insurance fraud costs every man, woman and child in this state \$500.00 each year." Stanton said.

Janes made a claim to the county alleging he injured himself while struggling with a county inmate. The investigation proved Janes' version of how the injury occurred is false. Evidence obtained during the investigation showed Janes was treated for the same injury by his personal doctor two days prior to reporting the workers' compensation claim to the county.

The Solano County District Attorney's Office is prosecuting this case. Bail has been set at \$7,500.

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