

Wake Forest woman jailed in dental office embezzlement

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A 40-year-old Wake Forest woman was arrested Wednesday after police said she embezzled money from a dental practice with offices in Cary and Pinehurst.

Robbie Forrest Strawbridge, of 701 Sarratt Ridge Court, is accused of taking the cash paid by dental patients toward their accounts while she was the practice manager at Geeta Bhat and Associates, Pinehurst police said.

"She was offering discounts if you paid in cash," Pinehurst police Capt. Floyd R. Thomas said. "The patients would pay in cash and she would pocket the cash," he said.

Thomas said they believe Strawbridge took \$1,251.60 between April 2010 and January.

Strawbridge is facing 10 counts of embezzlement and 10 counts of obtaining property under false pretenses, according to warrants filed in the Wake County Magistrate's Office. She is being held in the Wake County jail on a \$200,000 bond.



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