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Five felony complaints were filed in Perkins County Court the first week in August against 35-year-old Janet G. Huff.

Following an investigation by the Nebraska State Patrol, Huff, a former employee of the New Life Fellowship Church in Grant, was charged with the following: Count 1) alleged unauthorized use of a credit card in the amount of \$1,500 or more, a Class III felony; Count 2) alleged unauthorized use of a credit card in the amount of \$500 or more but less than \$1,500, a Class IV felony; Count 3) second degree forgery in the amount of \$1,000 or more, a Class II felony; Count 4) alleged second degree forgery in the amount of \$1,000 or more, a Class III felony; and Count 5) alleged theft by deception of over \$1,500, a Class III felony.

According to the complaint filed by Greg M. Ariza, acting deputy Perkins County attorney for the state of Nebraska, the five alleged counts occurred between October 2007 and May 2008 during a time when Huff was employed at the church.

Arrest warrants in Nebraska and Colorado with nationwide extradition prompted Huff to turn herself in at the police department in Greeley, Colo., on Aug. 20. She was transported to Sedgwick County, Colo., where she remains in custody with bond set at \$25,000.

Huff was in the process of serving a three-year probation sentence in Colorado when she allegedly committed the crimes in Nebraska. She had been charged and convicted in 2006 of felony forgery and theft from the Subway Restaurant in Julesburg, Colo. She was granted a deferred judgment and sentence and ordered to serve probation along with paying restitution in excess of \$50,000.

The Nebraska Attorney General's Office issued a warrant for Huff's arrest after she was charged with alleged felonies in Perkins County on Aug. 7, because the terms and condition of the deferment in Colorado prohibited her from violating any local, state or federal laws.

A second warrant for her arrest was then issued by the State of Colorado charging her with probation violation by committing the alleged crimes in Nebraska, failing to inform her probation officer of an address change, providing a bogus address, and refusing to return to Colorado after being granted a travel permit to Nebraska to visit her children.

Arrest is pending.