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Philadelphia Police Rape: Keith Corley Charged in Squad Car Rape

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More news about Philadelphia cops behaving badly. Officer Keith Corley has been charged with a [squad car rape](#) of an unidentified woman while on duty. The Philadelphia police rape allegation is the third time in the last two weeks that a Philly cop has been accused of abusing women.

Corley has been a member of the police force for four years, reports the *Philadelphia Daily News*. On August 11, Corley is alleged to have raped a woman in the back of his squad car. The police officer was reportedly on duty in West Philadelphia when he spotted a woman waiting for a bus at around 3:30 a.m.

Corley is accused of pulling up in his squad car and picking up the victim. The woman said that Corley then drove her to an area of Cobbs Creek and raped her in the back seat of the car, reports the *Daily News*.

The woman reported the rape the next morning and a police investigation found DNA evidence in the squad car linking Corley to the crime. Corley has been charged with rape and sexual assault among other charges, reports the *Daily News*.

Generally, police officers are [immune](#) from most criminal and civil liability for acts they commit in the line of duty. For example, if a cop injures a suspect during arrest, the cop usually cannot be sued for assault. However, when a cop acts out of the bounds of the job, the cop can face criminal and civil liability.

In the Philadelphia police rape case, Keith Corley allegedly picked up a woman while on patrol and raped the woman in the back of his car. The squad car rape bore no relation to the job, and if convicted, Corley is subject to criminal liability the same as any rapist.

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