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UPDATE: Charleston Officer Accused of Soliciting Girl Waives Extradition

New graphic details have been released in the arrest of a Charleston Police Officer, accused of soliciting a young girl over the Internet.

WEB EXTRA: [read the entire uncensored warrant](#)

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GRAPHIC CONTENT: Patrick's Arrest Warrant



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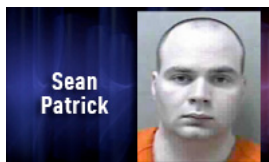
UPDATE: Tuesday 2/26 @ 2:45pm

A Charleston police officer accused of soliciting a 14-year-old girl from Loudoun County, Virginia was back in court Tuesday.

During the hearing, Sean Patrick waived extradition to Virginia. Patrick will stay in the South Central Regional Jail here in Charleston until he's picked up and taken to Virginia to answer charges.

UPDATE: Tuesday 2/24 @ 6:00pm

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (WSAZ) -- New graphic details have been released in the arrest of a Charleston Police Officer, accused of soliciting a young girl over the Internet.



WSAZ.com obtained a copy of the search warrant used in the case against Patrolman Sean Patrick.

There are some new details that a lot of people will probably find disturbing.

We were there when Patrick was taken off to jail Friday night. At that time, we knew he was arrested as the result of an FBI investigation.

Accused of soliciting a 14-year-old girl from Virginia for sex on the Internet. Now, the search warrant details the investigation.

Just some of the things we've learned from this paperwork are:

- The victim was actually a police officer from Virginia posing as a 14-year-old girl as part of an undercover sting, much like you see on Dateline's "To Catch a Predator."
- Patrick is accused of having sexual chats with the decoy in a chat room on Yahoo! The chats were explicit involving sexual acts.
- According to the warrant, Patrick also e-mailed a picture of his nude genitals to the girl.
- The paperwork also says Patrick made plans to meet with the 14-year-old in Virginia, where she said she lived.

Investigators say this went on for a couple of week and the officer made repeated contact with the 14-year-old girl, apparently having no idea it was actually all part of that undercover sting.

An extradition hearing for Patrick has been set for this Thursday at 2:30 p.m.

WEB EXTRA: Click on the link above to read the uncensored warrant.

WARNING: the information contained within the warrant is very graphic.

UPDATE at 6 p.m. Monday, Feb. 23

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (WSAZ) -- Charleston Police Officer Sean Patrick remained behind bars Monday -- accused of taking part in an online chat that went way too far.

Patrick is wanted in Virginia where a warrant was issued for his arrest. He is accused of soliciting sex with a person he believed to be a 14-year old girl. He's in jail in Charleston, waiting to be sent to Virginia to face these charges.

While WSAZ was the first on the scene Friday night after Patrick was arrested, the judge wouldn't allow us inside the courtroom for Patrick's hearing. No one other than police were allowed in that night, and the doors were locked. Tim Halloran, the magistrate in charge of the case, is now facing some scrutiny.

Here at WSAZ, we are questioning Halloran's decision to keep us out of Patrick's hearing Friday. We filed a complaint with the Judicial Investigation Commission

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The commission will decide if Halloran's actions were justified. The criminal complaint filed against Patrick also wasn't released on Friday. But judges do have the right to hold onto documents until they are filed with the court clerk. That didn't happen until Monday.

Original Story

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (WSAZ) -- A Charleston Police officer is in jail after he was arrested Friday night on sex charges out of Virginia.

Officer Sean Patrick, 30, is accused of soliciting sex with a minor over the Internet. He is facing state charges and was arrested as the result of an FBI investigation that also involved the sheriff's department in Loudoun County, Virginia.

In a news release from the Loudoun County Sheriff's office, Patrick allegedly propositioned over the internet someone he understood to be a 14-year-old girl.

He covered his face as he headed from the Kanawha County Courthouse to a police vehicle Friday night. WSAZ.com was the only news crew to get video of the person believed to be Patrick.

He is a patrolman who's been on the police force since 2005.

A warrant was issued and officer Patrick was arrested when he showed up for his regular shift at the Charleston Police Department Friday night.

Patrick's arraignment at the Kanawha County Courthouse was sealed off from the media. Magistrate Tim Halloran refused any access to the courtroom or paperwork, telling WSAZ that we can pick it up on Monday. WSAZ's crew was told that Halloran ordered the doors locked and no one allowed access to the courtroom.

Charleston Police Chief Brent Webster tells WSAZ that Patrick will be suspended without pay and an internal investigation has already been launched.

Webster also says that he does not have reason to believe that any police department computers were involved in any of the alleged activity, but that will be also part of the investigation.

The charge against Patrick is: usage of a communications system or other electronic means, for the purpose of soliciting, with lascivious intent, a person he knew or had reason to believe was a child under the age of 15. If found guilty, he can face 1 to 10 years behind bars and/or a fine of up to \$2,500.

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Posted by: James on Jan 25, 2010 at 06:40 PM

Wow..probation?oh he's a cop...or a rich good ole boy.the common man would have had the book thrown at him with years in jail and regestered as sex offender.he get a slap on the wrist.as the saying goes...there's two types of justice.. If your not a cop or other official or well heeled..then you'll go to jail.other wise you get a slap on the wrist. One question..does he get to live with in a certain distant of wherer kids are?like the kids in his neighborhood? This sentence is a slap in the facs of justice.

Posted by: Shannon on Jan 25, 2010 at 02:30 PM

It is a crying shame that we allow people like this to protect and serve. He is sick...He has a disease. It is an injustice that this low life was given probation instead of jail time. No wonder the world is in the shape it's in.

Posted by: rusty on Jan 25, 2010 at 12:45 PM

To Holdup,YOUR SO RIGHT, (SLIPPED THREW CRACKS).IF IT WAS YOU OR I DO YOU THINK THERE WOULD BE A CRACK FOR US TO SLIP THREW HELL NO.)AND I BET HE GETS TO KEEP HIS JOB LOL.AND TO THE SCUMBAG MAGISTRATE, SHAME ON YOU, YOUR NO BETTER THAN THIS SCUM.THIS SHOWS YOU THAT SCUM LIKE THIS STICKS WITH EACH OTHER.(GOOD WORK DET.LEIGH, BUT SRY THAT ALL YOU WORK WENT OUT THE WINDOW.

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