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Indictments for Curtis, Moon in rape case

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Former Tuskegee University Police Department officer William Curtis Jr. was indicted last week in connection with the alleged October rape of a 15-year-old girl.

Following a special session of the Macon County Grand Jury Tuesday, November 3, indictments were returned against Curtis, who stopped working with TU in 1995, and currently suspended Tuskegee University Police Lt. John Moon.

Moon, 45, was indicted on one charge of first-degree rape, one charge of first-degree sodomy and one charge of enticing a minor for immoral purposes in relation to the alleged off-campus rape of an unidentified female Tuskegee resident. The event was alleged to have occurred at approximately 5 a.m. on Sunday, October 18 while Moon was off-duty.

Curtis was indicted on one count of conspiracy to commit rape and one count of conspiracy to commit sodomy in relation to the same alleged incident.

Moon has been suspended from his job by Tuskegee University after his arrest and is being held in the Macon County Detention Facility on \$500,000 bond. Curtis' bail was set at \$250,000.

The case is being handled solely by the Alabama Bureau of Investigations (ABI), which released last month it believes there may be additional victims and anticipates additional charges may be forthcoming.



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