

Deputy charged with rape

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A Tillamook County deputy sheriff was arrested and arraigned Sept. 23 following about a one-month investigation into allegations that he sexually abused a girl more than a decade ago.

David Prock, 56, is being held at Washington County Jail on a combined \$60,000 bond for first-degree rape and incest.

In August, Tillamook County Sheriff Todd Anderson asked Oregon State Police to conduct a criminal investigation into allegations that Prock had sexually abused a girl under the age of 17 during the late 1990s.

"I was notified, actually somebody called me," about the allegations, Anderson said.

Prock is not the first member of his family to face charges involving sex crimes. His brother, Sam Prock, is being held in the Snake River Correctional Institution for parole violations related to a 2005 conviction on three counts of attempted unlawful sexual penetration with a foreign object.

Sam Prock later was tried on 18 counts of encouraging child sexual abuse. He was found not guilty on those charges.

On Sept. 9, David Prock was placed on paid administrative leave from the Sheriff's Office.

An OSP Criminal Investigations Division detective was assigned to the case, working with Sheriff Anderson and the Tillamook County District Attorney's Office.

After the investigation, the district attorney requested that the case be reviewed by the Clatsop County District Attorney's Office.

A special prosecutor was assigned to the case.

On Sept. 23, a Tillamook County Grand Jury indicted David Prock on one count of first-degree rape and one count of incest.

The Tillamook County Sheriff's Office, with the assistance of OSP, arrested Prock at his Beaver-area home and took him before a Tillamook County Circuit Court judge for arraignment.

That same day, he was placed on unpaid administrative leave.

"We're working on the internal issues right now," Anderson said.

According to the Tillamook County Sheriff's Office, Prock has been employed as a patrol deputy for 21 years.

His bail has been set at \$60,000.

He is scheduled to appear in court at 11:30 a.m. Oct. 18 for a plea hearing.