



Chatham County corrections officer charged with child molestation

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A Chatham County corrections officer has been fired after he was arrested early this morning on child molestation and other charges in Rincon.

James Jackson Brown, 34, an officer at the Chatham County Sheriff's Department, was arrested by Rincon police at a home there, according to Rincon police Chief Mike Bohannon.

"The investigation has been going on, and it's still going on," the chief said.

Brown was booked in to the Effingham County jail on three counts of child molestation, three counts of second-degree cruelty to children, one count of sexual battery and one count of enticing a child for indecent purposes, according to jail records.

The case was bound over to Effingham County Superior Court, Bohannon said.

Brown had been employed by the sheriff's office in Chatham County since October and was still on probation as a new hire, said Lt. Shawn Taber, spokesman for the department.

"He's been terminated for violation of the general conduct policy," Taber said.



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