

Ex-Haines City Officer Pleads Guilty in Sex Case, Sentenced to 10 Years

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LAKELAND | A former Haines City police officer arrested in an investigation of underage prostitution has pleaded guilty and received 10 years in prison.



Demetrius Lamar Condry, 27, pleaded guilty Friday to charges of lewd battery and official misconduct, court papers say. The State Attorney's Office dropped a more severe charge of sexual battery by an officer.

Polk County deputies arrested Condry, who worked for the Haines City Police Department about five years, in July 2011 as he neared the end of a shift.

His arrest was part of an investigation into a prostitution business that Paul Aaron Jr., 28, who was a school bus monitor, is accused of running under the name Genuine Quality Entertainment.

Deputies said Aaron exploited runaway girls younger than 18.

An arrest report said one of the girls was forced to have sex with Condry for free so Aaron could receive favors from him in the future.

Condry would arrive at the home the business operated in his marked police car while on duty and wearing his uniform, deputies said. One girl told deputies she had sex with him at least 20 times.

In addition to Condry and Aaron, deputies arrested Christopher Hawkins, 22. He is accused of helping run Aaron's business while rooming with him and having sex with the minors involved.

The girls told deputies they once tried to run from the home and Hawkins chased them down and brought them back against their will.

Cases against Aaron, charged with lewd battery and sex trafficking, and Hawkins, charged with lewd battery, are still pending. Both have pretrial hearings scheduled in March.

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