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Update: Slaton Police Officer Richard Lee Lewis Indicted in Child Pornography Case



Slaton Police Officer Richard Lee Lewis

Lubbock, Texas

We first brought you the story last month, after Slaton Police Officer Richard Lee Lewis was arrested on child porn allegations. Today, 50-year-old Lewis was officially indicted on six counts related to child pornography federal agents said they found last month on his home computer.

The indictment includes three counts of transportation of child pornography, two counts of receipt of a visual depiction of a minor engaging in sexually explicit conduct and one count of possession of child pornography.

Court documents show Lewis resigned from the Slaton Police Department after federal authorities searched three computers, 80 CDs and 10 VHS tapes seized from his home on May 11.

The arrest warrant affidavit reveals that, on the day of the search, Lewis was at home and waived his rights after being advised of them. He admitted downloading and viewing pornographic images and videos but told federal investigators he usually deleted the sexually explicit material after looking at it, the affidavit states.

Slaton police Chief Royce Goodson has said Lewis, a divorced father with daughters and grand-daughters, resigned a day after the items were seized.

Lewis, a 10-year department veteran, is free on his own recognizance. However, as part of the conditions of his release, he is not to leave the U.S. attorney's office jurisdiction in North Texas, must get mental health counseling and wear a monitoring device, according to court documents.

A trial date has not been set.

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