

## Retired part-time sheriff's deputy Virgil Moore arrested on child molestation charge (updated)

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Virgil Moore (Pascagoula Police Department)

PASCAGOULA, Mississippi --- The Pascagoula Police Department has arrested a 74-year-old man today on a charge of molesting-touching a child for lustful purposes, according to a news release.

Virgil Moore was arrested after an investigation into the welfare of a child known to him.

Moore retired from the Jackson County Sheriff's Department in February, according to Sheriff Mike Byrd.

Moore was a part-time deputy for about 11 years.

"I hate to hear this," Byrd said. "He always did a good job as a part-time employee."

Moore is being held in the Pascagoula Municipal Jail awaiting an appearance before Judge Michael Fondren.

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