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Lincecum

Rock Rapids, Iowa — A former Lyon County Sheriff's Deputy has pled guilty to a sex crime, and has been sentenced.

The Lyon County Sheriff's Office reports that 36-year-old former Lyon County Deputy Sheriff Christopher Wayne Lincecum of Rock Rapids pled guilty last week to lascivious conduct with a minor, a serious misdemeanor. The original charge had been Sexual Abuse in the Third Degree, a Class C Felony, which could have carried a penalty of up to 10 years in prison.

Lincecum was sentenced to a one-year suspended jail sentence and a fine of \$315. He will be on probation for 10 years, must attend and complete sex offender treatment and will be on Iowa's Sex Offender Registry.

In late June, 2013, the Lyon County Sheriff's Office began investigating allegations of sexual assault involving a 15-year-old female and former Sheriff's Deputy Lincecum. Upon discovery of these allegations, the Sheriff's Office and County Attorney's Office requested the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) take over and conduct an impartial investigation.

A Special Agent from DCI interviewed both Lincecum and the victim, as well as several other witnesses. The DCI says the investigation revealed that on two occasions, the victim went on a ride-along with Lincecum while he was working for the Sheriff's Office. On one of these occasions, the DCI said that Lincecum had inappropriate sexual contact with the victim.

Lincecum separated employment with the Lyon County Sheriff's Office in the Spring of 2013, due to an unrelated matter.

The Iowa Division on Criminal Investigation investigated the case while the Iowa Attorney General's Office handled the prosecution of the former deputy.