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Arizona prison guard facing

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PHOENIX (KSAZ) - A former state corrections officer at the Lewis Prison in Buckeye could soon be spending time behind bars.

Phoenix police arrested Jose Maria-Macias on Thursday for what he allegedly did with a 15-year-old girl.

Court documents describe how the relationship started early this month.

Jose Maria-Macias, 23, allegedly asked the teenage girl over to his house to have sex and according to police, he also exchanged nude photos with her.

Macias appeared before a judge for allegedly having sex with a minor.

According to court documents, Macias had a sexual relationship with the girl. The documents describe how on "three different occasions," the suspect had the minor at his home where they had sex.

The documents also say Macias wanted the 15-year-old to send him nude photos.

Macias, according to police, sent the victim at least one nude photo from below the waist. The documents say police identified Macias in the photos by his "unique and colorful tattoos."

And after obtaining a search warrant, police collected evidence in Macias' home, such as "bedding and clothing."

According to the records, the description of the items inside the home matched the description the victim gave investigators.

"You're not allowed to have any contact with the victim, not by person, not by phone," said the judge.

Police arrested Macias at his work without any incident. He's facing a list of charges, including luring a minor for sexual exploitation and sexual abuse.

Macias started working as a corrections officer at the Arizona State Prison Complex-Lewis in February. He resigned after being arrested.

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