

Orange Beach Officer Arrested for Molesting Child

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A police officer in Baldwin County is facing very serious allegations.

Officer Tim Gavin was arrested Friday morning on charges of sex abuse on a minor younger than 12 years old.

Gavin was an Orange Beach officer for 9 years and was a member of the Baldwin County Drug task force.

“It is difficult, any time you have a trusted person in the community that violates the law. But we are also mindful that we are very upset there is a child victim in this case as well,” said Baldwin County Sheriff Hoss Mack.

Investigators say Gavin knew the victim but wouldn't say how. Authorities learned of the alleged abuse after family of the victim came forward earlier this week.

Gavin resigned from his job as an officer prior to being arrested. If convicted he faces 2-20 years in prison.