## Former Wewoka police officer accused of sexually assaulting 15year-old while on duty

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WEWOKA — A former Wewoka police officer was jailed Monday on charges of having sex with an underage girl multiple times while on duty, officials confirmed.

The state Attorney General's Office began an investigation April 15 into allegations that Trever Blackwell, 30, had a sexual relationship with a 15-year-old girl while she was in the department's Explorer program in 2011, court records show.

Blackwell faces one count of second-degree rape, two counts of performing lewd acts on a minor and one count using a computer to instigate sexual contact with a minor.

A Wewoka police employee said Monday that the department chief contacted state investigators after receiving the complaint to ensure the investigation of Blackwell's case was impartial.

Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation agents interviewed the girl April 17. They reported that she said she began the relationship with Blackwell, who was 27 and in charge of the Explorer program, shortly after she joined it.

Aaron Cooper, a spokesman for the Attorney General's Office, said Blackwell was employed by Wewoka police from June 2009 or 2010 to December 2013.

The girl said the pair began communicating through text and Facebook messages and that Blackwell told her he loved her and wanted to marry her, according to an affidavit. Court records indicate the criminal acts took place from May 2011 to January 2012.

In the interview, the girl said they first had sex on the back of Blackwell's patrol car in August 2011 while she was on a ride-along as part of the Explorer program and that they had engaged in other sexual acts while he was on duty. She also said she and her sister went to Blackwell's home in fall 2011 to watch a movie with him and another officer and that they again had sex while her sister and the other officer went to his truck "for a couple of hours." Blackwell's wife was in California at that time, the affidavit states.

Additionally, the girl told investigators about various presents, including Blackwell's wedding band, that he gave her during their relationship. A receipt from a Seminole pawn shop indicated that she and her sister sold the ring there in March, according to the affidavit.

Wewoka and Seminole County officers said the Explorer program was common throughout Oklahoma agencies and was intended to show students the benefits of becoming a law enforcement officer. The program in Wewoka has since been disbanded, a sheriff's deputy said

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## Monday.

Blackwell spent "about 20 minutes" in Seminole County custody before posting \$20,000 bond, a jailer said. Jail officials did not provide a mugshot of Blackwell, saying they did not take a booking photo of him.

James Wilson, general counsel for the Council of Law Enforcement Education and Training, or CLEET, said Monday that Blackwell remains a CLEET-certified police officer in the state. He did not say, however, whether Blackwell was currently employed with an Oklahoma law enforcement agency.

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