

NOPD officer arrested on sex charges involving juvenile

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NEW ORLEANS – A New Orleans Police Department officer has been placed on emergency suspension after he was arrested on sex charges involving a juvenile.

Officer Willie A. Gant, Sr., a 26-year veteran on the force, faces two counts of “indecent behavior with juveniles and two counts of sexual battery on a juvenile,” according to the police department.

Gant was arrested Monday after the NOPD’s Special Victims Unit began an investigation into allegations surrounding Gant.

Police did not release any specifics on what those allegations are, and did not give any information on the ages or genders of the victims. They did not say when the allegations occurred.

Gant is on emergency suspension without pay. His bail was set at \$50,000.