

## Oviedo Mall guard, a former local cop, accused of touching pre-teens

2015-02-04

orlandosentinel.com

---

### 2015 cop pedophile

A 61-year-old man accused of inappropriately touching two girls while working as a security guard at the Oviedo Mall had a long career in law-enforcement, records show.

Ronald Queen, arrested on charges of lewd and lascivious behavior and battery, posted \$20,500 bond and was released from the John E. Polk Correctional Facility in Seminole County on Wednesday.

Queen has worked as a guard for Valor Security at the Oviedo Mall since October, police said.

According to investigators, he struck up a conversation with a group of girls at the Victoria's Secret store on Friday.

Police did not say how old the girls are, but described them as pre-teens.

Two store employees later told police they heard Queen ask the girl about bra sizes, according to his arrest affidavit.

The girls left the store and Queen followed as they walked to the food court, where he poked one girl's side and grabbed the buttocks of another, the affidavit states.

When police questioned Queen on Tuesday, he said he talked to the girls and admitted poking one, but said he did not inappropriately grab anyone, according to Oviedo Police Lt. Mike Beavers.

Records show Queen is a former law-enforcement officer with several agencies, including the Orange County Sheriff's Office, Florida Highway Patrol and Division of State Fire Marshal.

According to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, he worked for OCSO and FHP from 1986 through 1997, bouncing back and forth between the agencies, including as an instructor.

He left an instructor post at the FHP Training Academy in 1997, before joining the fire-investigation unit of the Division of State Fire Marshal in 2005. He worked there until he retired in 2013.

*Jeff Weiner of the Sentinel staff contributed. [glotan@tribpub.com](mailto:glotan@tribpub.com) or 407-420-5774*

---

Copyright (c) 2015 Orlando Sentinel