# Former Alabama deputy to face rape, sodomy and incest charges

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2016 Cop Rapist pedophile Jerome Heard

A former Madison County school resource officer previously arrested for having sex with a student has been accused of rape, sodomy and incest.

Jerome Heard, 42, was arrested in Knoxville, Tennesee as a fugitive from justice because of Madison County warrants charging him with two counts of first-degree rape, two counts of second-degree rape, two counts of first-degree sodomy and one count of incest.

Heard, who previously lived in Madison County resigned from the sheriff's office in January and was indicted on first-degree sodomy and school employee engaging in a sex act or deviant sexual intercourse with a student under the age of 19.

Heard since has relocated out of state, Sheriff Blake Dorning said in a news release. Heard had worked at MCSO since 2009.

The new warrants are based on a recent complaint made to the sheriff's office, said Capt. Mike Salomonsky.

"It's been ongoing for several years," Salomonsky said. "We're just able to put it together now based on the recent complaints."

Salomonsky said the alleged crimes did not occur while Heard was on-duty, but he was a sheriff's deputy at the time.

"We need any other potential victims to come forward," Salomonsky said, "so we can bring him to justice."

The sheriff's criminal investigation division can be reached at 256-533-8820.

"The Sheriff's Office is asking for the public's assistance if any additional information may be in the community about former Deputy Heard or if there is anyone that would like to come forward and speak with an investigator," Dorning said in a news release.

Heard also was a police officer in Huntsville from 2003-2007.

Madison County deputies are working to have heard extradited back to Alabama. He will be held in the Madison County Jail with bail set at $315,000.