

Deputies Arrest Man Wanted After Police Officer Arrest

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A man wanted after a Warsaw police officer was arrested last week has been caught himself.

Lenoir County deputies nabbed James Parker III at his Kinston home this morning.

Deputies in Jones County says Parker was selling Oxycodone to their undercover officer while the Warsaw police officer was in the same truck.

Officer Lacy Ward was charged with conspiracy to sell and deliver Schedule II controlled substances as well as interfering with an investigation. She was later fired by the Warsaw Police Department.

Parker was brought back to Trenton to face charges in Jones County.

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The Warsaw police officer arrested by the SBI, accused of conspiring to sell Oxycodone, has been fired according to the Jones County Sheriff's Office. Deputies continue to search for another drug suspect in the case.

Jones County deputies say Officer Lacy Ward, who works for the Warsaw Police Department, was arrested just before 5:00 p.m. on charges of conspiracy to sell and deliver Schedule II controlled substances, that being Oxycodone. She is also arrested for interfering with an investigation.

Det. Timothy Corey says Ward was caught on video in a truck with James Parker III of Kinston while they say he was selling drugs to an undercover officer. Corey says at that point they notified the SBI and the FBI.

Ward at one time was a narcotics officer with the Warsaw Police Department, but was on regular patrol at the time of her arrest.

Deputies are still looking for the 29-year-old Parker, who was the subject of the original drug investigation.