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Man arrested for indecent behavior with a juvenile



Frederick Garcie

On May 20th, 2023, Officers were contacted in reference to a sexually based crime occurring in a retail store in the 1600 block of East Bert Kouns Industrial Loop. Through the findings of the investigation, detectives arrested Frederick Garcie for one count of indecent behavior with a juvenile. Garcie reportedly engaged in sex acts with a 15-year-old victim inside the store's bathroom. The juvenile victim was returned to their parents.

Indecent behavior with juveniles is the commission of any of the following acts with the intention of arousing or gratifying the sexual desires of either person:

(1) Any lewd or lascivious act upon the person or in the presence of any child under the age of seventeen, where there is an age difference of greater than two years between the two persons. Lack of knowledge of the child's age shall not be a defense; or

(2) The transmission, delivery or utterance of any textual, visual, written, or oral communication depicting lewd or lascivious conduct, text, words, or images to any person reasonably believed to be under the age of seventeen and reasonably believed to be at least two years younger than the offender. It shall not be a defense that the person who actually receives the transmission is not under the age of seventeen.

(ii) The victim is incapable, through unsoundness of mind, of understanding the nature of the act, and the offender knew or should have known of the victim's incapacity.

(b) The act is without the consent of the victim, and the victim is sixty-five years of age or older.

All persons are innocent until proven guilty.