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Sex Crime Investigation Leads to Extortion Arrest



Matthew Sandifer

On August 30, 2025, at approximately 11:30 a.m., Shreveport Police officers responded to a report of a sexual assault. Officers made contact with the victim at a local hospital and began their investigation.

Through the course of the investigation, detectives identified the suspect as Matthew Sandifer. While the investigation into the allegation of second-degree rape remains ongoing, Sandifer has since been arrested on one count of extortion related to this case.

Detectives allege that Sandifer sent threatening messages to the victim in an attempt to coerce the victim into dropping the charges.

This investigation remains active and ongoing. Anyone with information is urged to contact the Shreveport Police Department at 318-673-7300 or Caddo Crime Stoppers at 318-673-7373.