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MAN ARRESTED FOR UNLAWFUL SEX WITH A MINOR

RIVERSIDE, CA – On Tuesday, December 19, 2017, Detectives from the Riverside Police Department's Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Unit began an investigation into a male suspect who was alleged to have committed several criminal acts of sexual intercourse with a minor within Riverside's Arlington neighborhood. This suspect would utilize different social media applications and offer the female victim gifts in exchange for sexual acts. He would also take videos and photographs of the victim while the crimes occurred at his residence in the 3400 block of Wilbur Street. During the investigation, Detectives learned the San Bernardino Police Department was looking into the same suspect for similar crimes occurring in their jurisdiction at a paralegal business he owned.

Dennis Shea, 39-years-old of Riverside, was arrested by Detectives yesterday on Wednesday, January 3, 2018, and booked into the Robert Presley Detention Center for unlawful sex with a minor, sodomy of a minor under the age of 18, and lewd acts with a minor.



Due to the methods the suspect used to contact his victims using social media, it is believed there could be others who have not yet come forward. The Riverside Police Department is asking anyone with information about this investigation or the suspect to contact Detective Charlie Olivas at (951) 353-7136 or colivas@riversideca.gov.

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