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CHURCH CHAPLAIN ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF LEWD AND LASCIVIOUS BATTERY



The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office today charged a Shalimar man with lewd or lascivious battery on a person 12 to 16 years of age.

53-year old Larry Michael Thorne, a Chaplain at Abundant Life Church, is accused of committing the sexual acts on numerous occasions between January 1st 2012 and November 11th, 2014.

The victim says the relationship began with mutual massages when

she was 14 and then escalated into sexual activity. Thorne admitted buying the victim a phone and paying for her phone service, but denies any sexual contact with the teen.

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IN THE CIRCUIT/COUNTY COURT IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA

ARREST REPORT
REPORT NO: OCSO14ARR011906

OKALOOSA CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Jail Booking No		Offense No OCSO14OFF013410		Other No OCSO14CAD201387		OBTS					
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Birth Location: City: County: State: FLORIDA Nation: UNITED STATES Citizenship: UNITED STATES Address 8 COUNTRY CLUB RD SHALIMAR FL 32579 Occupations (Current/Last Known is Listed First) Business: ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH, Job Title: CHAPLAIN, Phone: (850)244-7651 Entered: 11/14/2004 Suite: Business: ECO-LANDSCAPING, Job Title: OWNER, Phone: (850)376-2200 Entered: 8/15/2000 = Suite: Aliases (Last, First Middle Title DOB) THORNE, MICHAEL LARRY 4/17/1961 Street Names * none found in MNI *											
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On two occasions she was made to get on top of him and he inserted his penis into her vagina, but it "didn't go in very far."

This information was gathered via discovery and forensic interviews and by means of a controlled telephone call between the defendant and the victim. During the call the Victim confronted the defendant numerous times and the defendant did not refute the allegations, but would change the subject or shift the conversation. When asked directly by the victim if she caused what happened to her by leading him on, he replied "yes" and went on to tell her she should not have hugged him that way.

In a post Miranda interview the defendant confirmed the relationship between them, and admitted to buying her a phone and paying for her phone service. However he denied the sexual allegations.

Based on the above stated facts I have reason to believe and do believe the defendant Larry Michael Thorne committed



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Lewd or Lascivious Battery, Investigator with the office of		This violation occurred in	Okaloosa County wl	nere I am a sworn				
I hereby swear (or affirm) the and belief.	at the facts established on t	his affidavit are true and c	orrect to the best of r	ny knowledge				
		SMITH, MICHAEL F		076				
Signature (Arresting Officer)	Name		ID/SSN				
Subscribed and sworn to (or	affirmed) before me this 1	4 day of November A.I	O., 2014 by					
who is personally known to	me or has produced		as identificati	on.				
		Notary Public	LEO	co				
Signature								
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ARREST REPORT OKALOOSA CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE REPORT NO: OCSO14ARR011906 Return Court: CIRCUIT COURT: FELONY Date: 12/16/2014 Time: 15:30 Instructions: [DISPOSITION] Disposition Type Release Type Other Desc Release Time Release Officer Release Date Printed Printed By No Released To Court Disposition Description Court DispositionType [ADDITIONAL PERSONS] COURT DISPOSITION: (right index) ○ No Bill / Petition Issue Warrant O Prosecution Approved

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Signature of Assistant State Attorney

Date



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