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SLED ARRESTS GEORGETOWN COUNTY DEPUTY

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) announces the arrest of a Georgetown County Sheriff's deputy accused of sexually assaulting a minor female.

Ron Christopher Crabtree, 35, of 2308 Withers Street, Georgetown, S.C. is charged with **Second Degree Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor** and **Lewd Act on a Minor**.

According to arrest warrants, Crabtree allegedly had vaginal intercourse with a 13-year-old girl inside a home on Pawley's Island, S.C., between March 1 and June 30, 2007.

Crabtree is also accused of digitally penetrating the same alleged victim's vagina on several occasions inside a home on Pawley's Island, S.C. between October 1, 2006 and June 30, 2007.

Second Degree Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor is a felony offense punishable up to twenty (20) years in prison.

Lewd Act on a Minor is a felony offense punishable up to fifteen (15) years in prison and/or fines.

Crabtree turned himself in to the GCSO this afternoon.

SLED is investigating these allegations at the request of the Georgetown County Sheriff's Office.

For details of Crabtree's current employment status with the GCSO, please call that agency.

For a booking photograph of Crabtree, please call The Georgetown County Sheriff's Office at (843) 546-3521.

