



ASSOCIATE DEAN ACCUSED IN SEX CASE POLICE SAY SUSPECT FOUND WITH BOY, 14

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An associate dean of students at the University of Michigan faces a preliminary examination today on charges that he raped a 14-year old boy last week in a Pittsfield Township park after luring him into his pickup truck.

Brian Allen Reed, 34, of Ypsilanti, coordinator of the student organization accounts service in U-M's Office of the Dean of Students, was charged with three counts of third-degree criminal sexual conduct in the incident in Montibeller Park in Pittsfield Township.

Reed is accused of approaching the teen inside a Meijer store on Carpenter Road in Pittsfield Township about 10 p.m. Sept. 27. The teen was looking at movies to rent, said Pittsfield Township Lt. Donald O'Farrell.

Later the teen, who lives less than a quarter of a mile from the Meijer, was sitting on a bench outside the store reading a brochure, O'Farrell said. Reed drove by three times in his blue 1992 Ford Ranger before parking and approaching him, police said.

"When the boy began coughing, Reed asked if he was OK and offered him a ride," O'Farrell said. "Instead of taking him home, Reed took him to the park and assaulted him."

Because the park was closed, Pittsfield Officer Mark Haddow decided to check the pickup truck and found Reed and the teen disrobed inside it, O'Farrell said. Reed told police he thought the teen was 16.

"The teen told police he was overwhelmed by Reed and did not agree to have sex," O'Farrell said. Sex with a person under the age of 16 is illegal in Michigan.

Reed was arraigned Friday by 14th District Court Magistrate George Parker and released on \$25,000 cash bond. He was

ordered not to have contact with the victim or anyone under the age of 18.

U-M spokeswoman Julie Peterson declined comment on Reed's employment status, citing a university policy not to discuss personnel matters. Reed has been employed at U-M since June 1998.

Neither Reed nor his lawyer, **Scott Weinberg**, could be reached for comment Wednesday.

O'Farrell said police are continuing the investigation and checking with other police departments regarding open cases. Reed has no criminal convictions, he said.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Pittsfield Township Police tip line at 734-944-1238 anytime.

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Caption: Brian Reed

BRIAN ALLEN REED

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