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INCIDENT: August 9, 2017 4:50 AM	Det. Sgt. Sedlak	Lt. Carroll	2017-221489

On Wednesday, August 9, 2017, The West Goshen Township Police Department initiated an investigation relating to sexual offenses involving a minor child. The initial investigation was conducted and the follow up investigation was turned over to the Criminal Investigations Division of the department.

During the summer of 2017, a male juvenile which will be referred to as "the victim" for the remainder of these writings, began to participate in a career development ride-along program with the Penn Medicine Chester County Hospital Paramedic Unit. A ride-along is an arrangement for a civilian to spend a shift in the passenger seat of an emergency vehicle, observing the workday of a police officer, firefighter, or a paramedic.

The victim stated that he had been participating in frequent ride-alongs and was routinely partnered with Paramedic Kenneth T. Mason. Mason was formerly a part-time mobile vehicle paramedic with Penn Medicine Chester County Hospital and a full time flight paramedic with Jefferson University Hospitals. The victim stated that he had considered Mason a mentor as he had desired to become a flight paramedic as well.

The victim stated that on Wednesday, August 9, 2017 at approximately 3:45 AM, Mason and the victim were on a ride-along and parked in a remote location within the 1000 block of Phoenixville Pike. West Chester, PA 19380 within West Goshen Township to take a break. The victim stated that he had fallen asleep inside of the paramedic vehicle and at approximately 4:50 AM was awakened by Mason rubbing the victim's genitals and making obscene comments about the actions. The victim stated that he was unaware and did not consent to the advances.

Mason is charged with Corruption of Minors and Indecent Assault

Kenneth T. Mason is a black Non-Hispanic Male and 50 years of age. 5054 Brigantine Court Wilmington, DE 19808