



Natalbany Man Arrested for Rape

NATALBANY (August 14, 2025)- The Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office (TPSO), in collaboration with the Hammond Police Department, has arrested a Natalbany man for several instances of rape of a child relative.

Willie Jackson, III, 42, was taken into custody on July 29, on one count each of First Degree Rape- Victim Under 13, First Degree Rape and Molestation of a Juvenile as well as two counts of Aggravated Crimes Against Nature.

Back in November, the Hammond Police Department contacted TPSO's Juvenile detective team regarding the investigation of a rape case involving a 12-year-old current resident. The victim reported multiple instances of sexual abuse by Jackson dating back five years prior and occurring in at least two other states as well as in Tangipahoa Parish. Following a thorough investigation alongside our state, local and community partners like the Children's Advocacy Center (CAC), a warrant was issued for Jackson's arrest.

Despite efforts to locate Jackson in multiple locations across the country, he remained wanted until Hammond Police learned the suspect was possibly at a home within their jurisdiction.

On the morning of July 29, TPSO and Hammond Police conducted an arrest operation and Jackson was taken into custody.

The TPSO would like to thank Hammond PD for their partnership in getting overdue justice and protection for this victim and making this arrest.

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