

MCDOWELL COUNTY MAN ARRESTED FOR SEXUAL ABUSE ON AN 8 YEAR OLD

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GARY, WV (WOAY) - One man is in jail facing sexual abuse charges on an eight-year-old girl.

According to court documents, The West Virginia State Police in Welch received a complaint about sexual abuse that occurred around three years ago. The victim at the time of the incident was an eight-year-old female. The victim disclosed that when she was eight-years-old, Steven Coleman, 45, took her a ride on his four-wheeler in Gary. She said that Coleman stopped the ATV and began to touch her privates with clothes on. She also told police Colman pulled his privates out of his pants. When they returned back to the house, Coleman pulled his privates out of his pants, called for the victim, and began to shake his privates at her.

The victim said she waited so long to tell because she was scared she would get in trouble.

The victim's father did not have any knowledge of the incident until the victim wanted to tell the police.

Coleman is charged with indecent exposure, sexual abuse in the first degree, and sexual abuse by a parent, guardian, or custodian. He is being held in the South Western Regional Jail under a 51,000 dollar bond.