

New Albany police sergeant accused of using police resources to stalk ex-girlfriend



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LOUISVILLE, Ky. (WAVE) - A New Albany police sergeant, charged with stalking his ex-girlfriend, allegedly used his police powers to call off the cops when she called 911.

Chad Armenta has been placed on paid administrative leave. He posted 10% of his \$20,000 bond after being arraigned on the charges on Thursday.

NAPD leadership called state police in after Armenta had gone to his ex-girlfriend's house on April 25 and knocked on her bedroom windows. She texted him to leave multiple times and finally called the police. However, five minutes after she called 911, Armenta allegedly called in to have police disregard the call.

"There is a signal nine, that is a designation used by officers to say no need for a run," Floyd County Prosecutor Chris Lane said. "Officers can disregard, the (probable cause statement) alleges there was a signal nine on a run given by the defendant."

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Investigators said Armenta also used dispatchers to ping his ex-girlfriend's phone to find out where she was in January. She didn't know about that night, but had worried about how Armenta seemed to know where she was.

The woman told state police Armenta called her in February while she was staying at a hotel in Michigan and that he came by her house Tuesday to ask if she was pressing charges because he was suspended and was going to be fired.

Lane said no other police staff will be charged with a crime. Bailey says Armenta has been put on paid administrative leave.

"All people involved have been charged, there will be no further charges that we anticipate," Lane said.

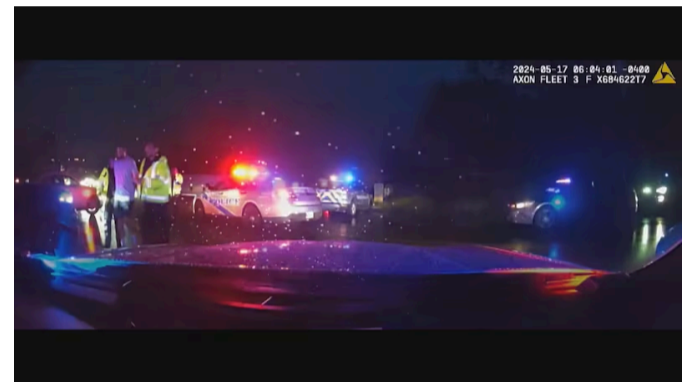
He is due back in court in June. A trial date has not been set.

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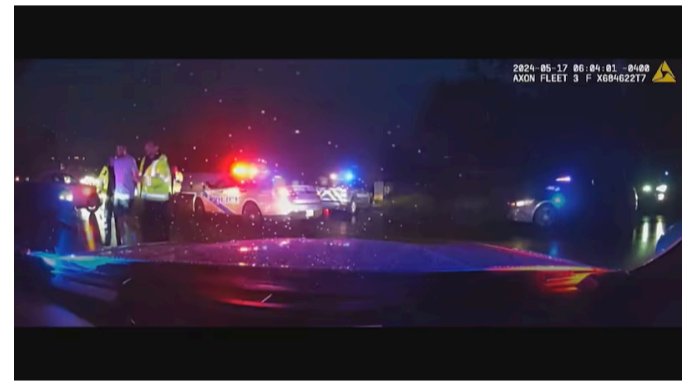
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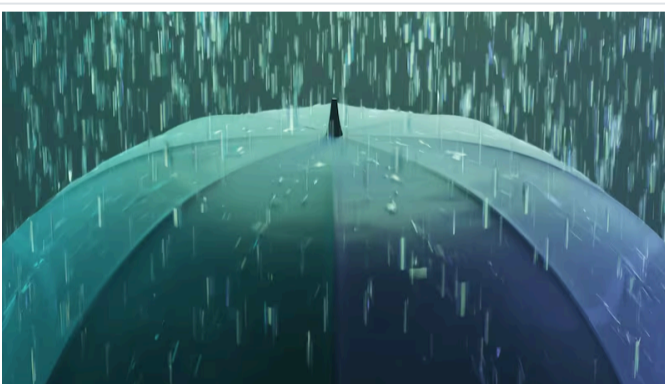
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