

Gallup man jailed on child sex abuse charges

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A Gallup man remained incarcerated May 4 on custodial interference (no right to custody), criminal sexual conduct of a minor, false imprisonment and contributing to the delinquency of a minor charges, records show.

Christopher Lambert, 32, was taken into custody after Gallup police were contacted by the Riverton, Utah, police regarding Lambert bringing a 15-year-old girl across state lines. Lambert's bond was set at \$30,000 and a separate Magistrate Court bond doesn't have a specified amount.

The girl in question is identified in police records as "A.P." An arrest warrant indicates that the girl emailed a photo of her breasts to Lambert prior to him traveling to Utah to bring her to Gallup.

Gallup police officer Steven Peshlakai went to Lambert's address in Gallup on April 24 to see what could be found out about the matter. Lambert denied anything about the situation. But Lambert did tell police that he spoke with the 15-year-old by phone.

A few days later, police got a call from a Crestview area man who said a girl had come to his door seeking help. The girl had been living at a trailer on Taos Road in Gallup for about three days after the neighbor gave help, the police papers indicate. The girl later revealed to a Utah detective that Lambert, indeed, came to Utah to pick her up. The two had sex along the way, the girl told the detective.

Lambert gave the girl drinks in Gallup and when the cops arrived at Lambert's home she was hiding to avoid police, she told the Utah detective.

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When the girl's parents arrived in Gallup from Utah they took her to the Rehoboth McKinley Christian Hospital for a sexual examination test. But RMCH couldn't perform the test. So, the girl was taken to Utah.

There was not an attorney listed in jail records for Lambert.

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