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SEXUAL PREDATOR ARRESTED

Sheriff Mike Harrison announces the arrest of Timothy W. Williams (50). Gulf County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) Deputies arrested Williams on Tuesday, December 8th, at his residence, 195 Timberlane Road, north of Wewahitchka.

The GCSO received a call at 4:03 PM (Central Time) from a person who stated they received a text message from their mother and she told them she was being held against her will at gunpoint. Further information provided through text message aided in the identification of the victim's location, which lead deputies to Williams' residence. Once deputies arrived, the victim was located and Williams was immediately arrested.

Investigators learned the victim offered Williams a ride to a location in Port St. Joe. While en route back to Wewahitchka, Williams solicited the victim for sex. When the victim refused, Williams forced the victim into a wooded area at gunpoint and sexually battered her. He later bound the victim's hands with zip ties and forced her to go to his residence where he continued to hold her against her will. The victim was able to send text messages to her daughter, which in turn facilitated the response of deputies.

Williams was charged with Kidnapping, Sexual Battery, and Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon. At his first appearance this morning, Gulf County Judge Tim McFarland held him without bond. Williams is a sexual predator and is on sex offender probation after his release from the Department of Corrections on November 4, 2015.

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