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Officer Arrest

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Just after 8 a.m., an undercover officer conducting a prostitution operation arrested a St. Petersburg Police officer for soliciting a prostitute in the 1300 block of 34th Street North.

Officer Reginald Mitchell was observed picking up a known prostitute in his personal vehicle on his day off.

He is facing a prostitution (solicitation) charge, a misdemeanor, and was given a notice to appear in court, so there is no booking photo.

Officer Mitchell is also under an internal investigation through the Office of Professional Standards. He has been placed on administrative duty pending the outcome of the investigation.

The co-defendant, Amanda McLaughlin, DOB 3-16-85, faces a prostitution charge. In her case this is a felony because she has prior convictions for prostitution. Her case is being referred to the State Attorney's Office.

Officer Mitchell, age 46, became a sworn St. Petersburg Police officer on 9-11-1995. He was most recently working as a recruiter for the police department.
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