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PRESS RELEASE

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Subject: **Racine PD Officer Placed on Leave after Arrest**

Damen Lowe, a ten year veteran of the Racine Police Department has been placed on Paid Administrative Leave as a result of his arrest by the Racine County Sheriff's Department. The Sheriffs' Department notified the Racine Police Department late last week that they were conducting an investigation into some allegations involving Officer Lowe. He was arrested by the Racine County Sheriffs' Department on Monday evening, and is currently being held in the Kenosha County Jail in lieu of cash bond.

Damen Lowe is a 3rd Shift Patrol Officer with 10 years on the Department. For the duration of the investigation and trial process, he will be on Paid Administrative Leave pending both the outcome of the court process and an internal review of his actions. It is customary for officers of the Department that are accused of crimes, to be placed on leave until the internal review of their actions is complete and/or the trial process results are known.

At this time, the Racine Police Department will not be providing any other details about the investigation since it is a matter being addressed by both Racine County Human Services and the Racine County Sheriffs' Department.

All media inquiries regarding this situation should be directed to my attention at (262) 635-7772.

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