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## Pickens County Sheriff's Office Arrest Liberty Man Accused of Kidnapping and Sexual Misconduct

The Pickens County Sheriff's Office has arrested a man from Liberty following an incident that occurred at a home on Pinedale Rd in Liberty on Thursday, June 22, 2017, at approximately 7:00pm.

The Sheriff's Office received information from a family member stating that they received what they felt was a suspicious call from a relative and that the relative may be in danger.

Deputies arrived at the residence and found a female (25 to 30 yoa) that stated that she had been held captive inside her residence for approximately an hour prior to law enforcement's arrival by a man that had physically assaulted her. The victim received an injury to the back of the head when she was thrown to the floor and subsequently choked around her throat.

The resident was later forced into a back room where she was sexually assaulted and later allowed to call a family member while he monitored her call. During the phone conversation, the victim was able to use pre-established code words indicating that she was in danger and needed help.

The Sheriff's Office was notified and arrived at the residence where **Carl Benton Moore, III (26yoa)** was found inside the home when deputies entered. It was determined in the investigation that he is not a stranger to the victim; however, he does not live at the residence on Pinedale Rd.

Mr. Moore was taken into custody without incident and is currently detained in the Pickens County Detention Center where he was arraigned late this afternoon by a Pickens County Magistrate on the following offenses:

<u>Charge:</u>	<u>Warrant:</u>	<u>Bond:</u>	<u>Arrest Date:</u>
Kidnapping	2017A3910100735	\$30,000.00	06-23-17
Criminal Sex. Conduct-1 <sup>st</sup> Degree	2017A3910100734	\$30,000.00	06-23-17
Domestic Violence-1 <sup>st</sup> Degree	2017A3910100733	\$20,000.00	06-23-17

The victim was treated and released at a local hospital for her injuries.

**Due to the nature of the charges, the Sheriff's Office will not be releasing any additional information or making any additional comments so that every effort can be taken to protect the identity of the victim.**

Copies of the Arrest Warrants and a mug shot have been attached to this Media Release.

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