



Carteret County Sheriff's Office

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NEWS RELEASE

Newport man arrested for sex offense

On 09/09/2012 Carteret County Deputies arrested Matthew Cody Steagall, 20, of 747 Chatham St, Newport in connection with a statutory rape.

Deputy Dave Perry stated that a concerned family member notified the Sheriff's Office that Steagall was caught engaged in sexual activity with a 14 year old. Deputies located the suspect who was still with the victim.

Steagall was charged with one count of Statutory Rape of a 14 year old and was placed in the Carteret County Jail under a \$30,000.00 dollar bond and is scheduled for his first court appearance today 09/10/2012.



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