

### Plea Deal Reached In Truancy Officer Sex Crimes Case

(KAIR)--A plea deal has been reached regarding the case involving a former Atchison based truancy officer accused of improper sexual relations with a student.

29-year-old Heather Robinson appeared in Atchison County District Court Monday afternoon to enter a plea of no contest to two counts of unlawful sexual relations. In exchange for her plea, nine other counts of unlawful sexual relations were dropped.

Judge Martin Asher accepted the plea and set a sentencing date for September 15th.

According to Atchison County Attorney Jerry Kuckleman, Robinson could be sentenced to anywhere from 31 months to 136 months in prison on each of the charges. He says probation is possible, but the burden is on Robinson to prove that she is not a threat to the public. She would also have to show that there is a viable treatment plan available to address the issue.

Robinson was employed with the Leavenworth Department of Juvenile Services, and was assigned to Atchison's USD 409 as a truancy officer. According to Superintendent Susan Myers, she was placed on administrative leave by her employer on May 7th, and had not been in contact with the school district or its students since then.

Authorities say that although the sexual activity with a 17-year-old student was consensual, state statute prohibits someone in Robinson's capacity to engage in such a relationship.

She was arrested on May 30th after an investigation by the Kansas Bureau of Investigation. She was released later that same day after posting a cash or surety bond of \$50,000.

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