

Local sex crimes case involves 3-year-old victim

(KNZA)--An investigation leads to the arrest of a Sabetha man now accused of child-sex related charges.

Brown County Attorney Kevin Hill says he filed formal charges Friday against 27-year-old Roy Tidwell III for rape, aggravated internet trading in child pornography and sexual exploitation of a child.

Hill says the charges follow an extensive investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Kansas Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. The Hiawatha Police Department and Nemaha County Sheriff's Department assisted.

Hill says the victim was 3-years-old when the sex offenses were allegedly committed between July and December 2017 in Hiawatha.

If convicted, Tidwell could face a sentence of life in prison.

He was arrested Friday by the Hiawatha Police Department, and remains in the Brown County Jail on a \$3 million dollar bond.

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