



# Media Information

Columbus Division of Police  
Organized Crime Bureau / Exploited Children/PACT Unit

Date: 10/06/2023

Elaine R. Bryant, Chief of Police

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Type of Offense/Incident: Unlawful Sexual Conduct w/ Minor      Date: 10/6/2023      Time: 9:30 AM

Location of Offense/Incident: City of Columbus      Zone:      Precinct:

Incident Report #: 230753846      Cruiser District:

Victim: Juvenile	Sex: Male	Race:	Age: 13
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Suspect: Payton H. Shires	Address: 704 Wingate Ln, Mt. Sterling, Ohio		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Arrested <input type="checkbox"/> Warrant on File	Sex: Female	Race: White	Age: 24
Charges: Unlawful Sexual Conduct With Minor, 2907.04 (B) (3) O.R.C.			
Suspect:	Address:		
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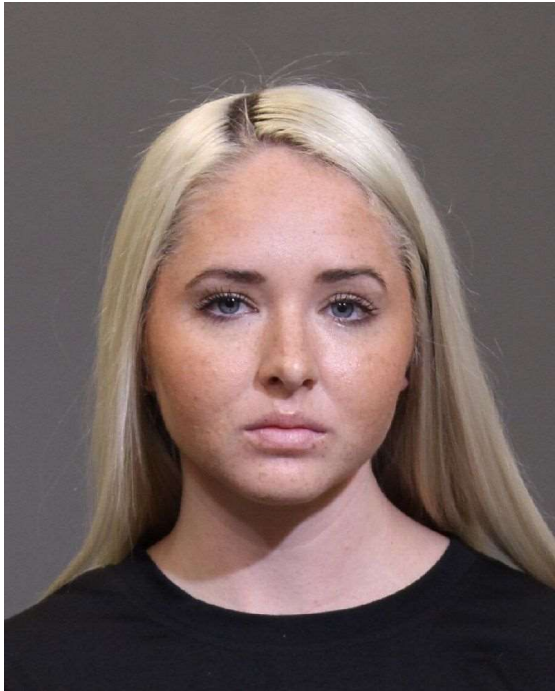
**Incident Summary:** The Columbus Division of Police Exploited Children/PACT Unit, with the assistance of Franklin County Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, arrested Ms. Shires for Unlawful Sexual Conduct with a Minor, a felony of the third degree. Ms. Shires is a licensed social worker involved in counseling youth, formerly employed by National Youth Advocate Program (NYAP). The investigation revealed Ms. Shires engaged in sexual conduct, multiple times, with a juvenile client assigned to her for counseling. On 10/6/2023, Columbus SWAT took Ms. Shires into custody without incident. Additional charges may be added in the future.

Copy To:       Executive Staff       Bureau Commander       Public Information Office

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Approved By:      Assignment:

# Columbus Ohio - Division of Police



**PAYTON HARLEIGH SHIRES**

AKA:  
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SEX: **FEMALE**  
RACE: **WHITE**  
DOB: **10-06-1999**  
HEIGHT: **5'01"**  
WEIGHT: **105**  
BUILD  
HAIR COLOR: **BLOND**  
HAIR LENGTH: **LONG**  
EYE COLOR: **BLUE**  
FACIAL HAIR: **NONE**  
SPEECH:  
S/M/T: **ROSE LEFT FOREARM**  
S/M/T DESC:

DATE OF PHOTO: **10-06-2023**

## ARREST INFORMATION

Booking ID: **4146323**  
Charges: **UNLAWFUL SEXUAL CONDUCT WITH A MINOR**  
Nationality: **UNITED STATES**  
Drugs:  
Weapons:

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