



## Police Department

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#### **ARREST MADE IN CRIMINAL SEXUAL ASSAULT INVESTIGATION**

On March 25, 2021, Ilan Gibori, a 46-year old resident of the 800 block of Belle Isle Lane, Vernon Hills, was arrested by the Department of Homeland Security at Dallas-Fort Worth Airport based on a Lake County arrest warrant for criminal sexual assault.

On March 24, 2021, the Vernon Hills Police Department received information from the Department of Children and Family Services that Ilan Gibori had sexually assaulted a minor victim on numerous occasions over a period of several years. Preliminary investigation determined Gibori met the victim while he was a teacher at Cooper Middle School in Buffalo Grove in 2017. Gibori left Cooper Middle School in July 2019 and has worked at The House Tutoring Lounge in Glencoe.

The State's Attorney's Office worked with the Vernon Hills Police Department to quickly obtain an arrest warrant for Gibori. A State's Attorney's Investigator notified Homeland Security Investigations at O'Hare and Dallas-Fort Worth airports to locate and apprehend Gibori based on the warrant.

Lake County State's Attorney Eric Rinehart applauded joint efforts of law enforcement. "Bringing this fleeing suspect to justice would not have happened without the incredible efforts and rapid response from our law enforcement partners -- the Department of

Children and Family Services, the Children's Advocacy Center attorneys and staff, Homeland Security Investigations - O'Hare/Dallas Fort Worth, and State's Attorney's Office investigators," State's Attorney Rinehart said. "The people of Lake County are safer today because of their teamwork."

Gibori is awaiting extradition to Illinois where he will be charged with multiple counts of criminal sexual assault.

Vernon Hills Chief of Police Patrick L. Kreis Stated, "We are very troubled by these allegations but applaud the courage of the victim. Our investigators worked quickly with the Lake County State's Attorney and the Department of Homeland Security to secure a warrant, locate and apprehend Gibori"

As this matter is subject to on-going investigation, any parent of a student of Gibori is encouraged to speak with their child.

Anyone with information regarding this investigation is encouraged to contact the Vernon Hills Police Department Investigations Unit at 847-247-4891.

All defendants are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in court.



Gibori, Ilan P.

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