

Summary of Investigation
SiRT File # 2024-063
Public Referral
August 29, 2024

Erin E. Nauss Director March 3, 2025

MANDATE OF THE SIRT

The Serious Incident Response Team (SiRT) has a mandate under the Nova Scotia *Police Act*, and through agreement, under the New Brunswick *Police Act*, to investigate all matters that involve death, serious injury, sexual assault, and intimate partner violence or other matters determined to be of a public interest to be investigated that may have arisen from the actions of any police officer in Nova Scotia or New Brunswick.

At the conclusion of every investigation, the SiRT Director must determine whether criminal charges should result from the actions of the police officer. If no charges are warranted the Director will issue a public summary of the investigation which outlines the reasons for that decision.

In cases where charges are laid, and since the matter is currently before the courts, this report will not discuss the facts of the matter.

SUMMARY

On August 29, 2024, a member of the public contacted SiRT regarding surreptitiously recorded images and videos located on a computer belonging to a former police officer. The images and videos were taken while the officer was employed by the Edmundston Police Force. Following an investigation, I have determined that there are reasonable and probable grounds to believe that the former officer committed criminal offences.

On March 3, 2025, the former officer was charged with 2 counts of voyeurism contrary to s. 162 of the *Criminal Code*, one count of making child pornography, contrary to section 163.1(2) of the *Criminal Code*, and one count of possessing child pornography, contrary to section 163.1(4) of the *Criminal Code*.

The name of the former officer has been withheld to protect the identities of the victims.

The former officer will appear before the Edmundston Provincial Court at 121 Rue de l'Église, Edmundston, NB on March 11, 2025 at 1:30 pm.

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