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## Bus Driver for Six Schools Faces Charges of Child Pornography

A Prince George's County Public Schools bus driver was arrested on May 21. He was charged with producing child pornography on his cell phone after a convenience store customer found a memory card containing video footage of the Upper Marlboro man engaged in sexual contact with a 7-year-old boy. Scott Alexander Smallwood, 27, had not yet retained a [Maryland criminal lawyer](#) four days after his arrest, but admitted that he had "several inappropriate contacts" with the boy and recorded them on his cell phone. He claims he was planning to destroy the memory card that held 10-15 videos of his sexual contact of the boy, but that the card was lost before he could do so.

The lost memory card that led to Smallwood's arrest was found by a customer at a local 7-Eleven on March 15. The customer took the memory card home to see if he could identify its owner. After seeing the videos of an adult male engaged in what appeared to be [sexual acts](#) with a child, the man immediately called Prince George's County police. The police, in conjunction with the U.S. Immigration and Customs Office, launched an investigation to identify the boy.

When the boy was found, he told investigators that Smallwood was his "night bus driver," who took him to church, gave him candy, and had "sleepovers" with him. While it is not immediately clear whether or not Smallwood knew the boy from his Prince George's County Public Schools routes, a County schools spokesman says that Smallwood had six schools on his route, including one elementary school.

With video evidence of the alleged sexual abuse and with Smallwood's admission of inappropriate sexual contact with the child, the job of his [Maryland criminal defense lawyer](#) would be to protect Smallwood's rights by ensuring that the proper procedures were maintained during the investigation and subsequent arrest and to serve as his advocate in the judicial system.