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Laurel man arrested for long-term violation of sex offender registry

Jui-Jitsu instructor ordered to have no contact with minors

Police have charged a Laurel man with violating mandatory sex offender registry requirements since he moved to Maryland approximately 15 years ago.

Scott Brian Naugle, 44, of Boulder Ridge Road, was charged with two counts related to his failure to register. In 2003, he was convicted of sexual battery of a child in a different state. After his guilty plea and conviction in that case, he was ordered to register as a sex offender for life as part of his sentence. Instead, Naugle left the state, came to Maryland, and never registered.

Howard County police recently received a tip about Naugle's violation status. After confirming the details, Naugle was arrested at his place of business, Leverage Jiu-Jitsu Academy in Fulton. He has been released from the Howard County Detention Center on \$25,000 bond and has been ordered to have no contact with anyone under the age of 18. He must register with the Maryland sex offender registry within three days of his release.

As the owner and head instructor of the Jiu-Jitsu Academy, Naugle offers private lessons and classes for students of all ages, including some specifically for children and teenagers. With this new court order, parents of students at the academy should be aware of Naugle's restriction from being in contact with minors.

In addition, police are asking anyone who may have been victimized, or is aware of victimization at any time by Naugle, to come forward. To date, police have not received any allegations of sexual misconduct involving Naugle in Howard County. Anyone with information should call 410-313-STOP or email HCPDcrimetips@howardcountymd.gov.

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