

Volleyball Coach Charged with “Inappropriate Touching”

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A 47 year old volleyball coach at St. Gerald Catholic School in Oak Lawn, Illinois has recently been charged with aggravated criminal sexual abuse of a 12 year old girl at his home. Dennis Pratl was hosting a holiday party for members of his seventh grade team when the alleged abuse occurred. Pratl's wife is the only other adult known to have been at the party.

According to a spokesman for the Archdiocese of Chicago, Pratl, is not a paid employee, but was the head coach of the seventh grade girls' team. It is not presently known how long Pratl has been the volleyball coach at St. Gerald School.