



## **Amtrak employee arrested on charges of lying to federal agent**

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WASHINGTON – An Amtrak employee was arrested Tuesday by Amtrak Office of Inspector General agents on a five-count indictment of lying to a federal agent, according to a press release from the U.S. Attorney’s Office, District of Columbia.

Maurice Driver, 35, of Gloucester City, New Jersey, was working as a Lead Service Attendant in the café car on an Amtrak train travelling between Washington, D.C., and Chicago on January 3-4, 2024. According to the indictment, Driver met a passenger on the train, spoke and texted with the passenger, and allowed her to use a vacant sleeper car on the train. On January 4, in Chicago, that passenger reported to Amtrak Police that Driver sexually assaulted her in a sleeper car on the train, at which point Amtrak OIG initiated an investigation into the passenger’s allegations.

According to the indictment, on January 5, 2024, during an interview with OIG agents, Driver made multiple false and misleading statements about his communications and contacts with the passenger, the indictment alleges. If convicted, Driver potentially faces a maximum statutory sentence of five years in prison for the charged offenses of making false statements.

This case is being investigated by Amtrak OIG with assistance from the Amtrak Police Department. It is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorneys Rebecca G. Ross and Brian P. Kelly, of the U.S. Attorney’s Office for the District of Columbia.

More information is included in the USAO’s press release: <https://direc.to/kLLp>.

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