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Facebook hacker jailed after falsely accusing boyfriend of rape

A young mother who had accused her ex-boyfriend of rape hacked into his Facebook site to post a threat to herself to bolster her fakery.



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Zoe Williams was described as "really wicked" by the judge, who jailed her for four months.

A court heard she tried to set up her ex-boyfriend partner after accused him of raping her several times after the end of their five-year relationship in 2007.

After the false allegations, the man was arrested and held in custody for eight hours as he protested his innocence.

Williams, 23, of Chard, Somerset, later admitted concocting the message and prosecutor Caroline Bolt said the rape allegations were not proceeded with.

Williams, who has since married and has a baby, admitted attempting to pervert the course of justice at Taunton Crown Court.

She was caught when police seized her computer and proved she had written a message warning herself to drop the rape allegations.

Ed Boyce, mitigating, said: "She felt the police were not taking seriously the complaints of rape she made to them, so she decided to invent this message and sent it to herself in the hope that it would strengthen her complaint. It has done completely the opposite and she regretted what she did."

Judge Graham Hume Jones jailed her for four months and said: "What you did was particularly wicked.

"People have to realise that however strong their feelings may be, they must not interfere with a court of justice and make false allegations.

"In this case, the false allegation was very serious indeed and gave an impression that a potential defendant was interfering with a witness involved with a charge of rape."

<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/technology/facebook/7685381/Facebook-hacker-jailed-after-falsely-accusing-boyfriend-of-rape.html>