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## Norwalk woman gets 7 months in prison for false rape statement

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NORWALK -- A 20-year-old woman who falsely accused two men of rape was sentenced to a total of seven months and one day in prison Friday at Norwalk Superior Court.

Brittany Reith, of 7 Commerce St., also received two years of probation after pleading guilty to falsely reporting an incident in the second degree, violation of probation and fourth-degree larceny.

Reith was arrested in June for filing a fabricated sworn, written statement accusing two innocent men of raping her at gunpoint.

As a result of Reith's statement, patrol officers arrested two innocent men on April 7 for felony sexual assault and battery charges.

The charges against both men were dropped after detectives conducted further investigation and found serious inconsistencies in Reith's statement, police said.

Police found out that Reith had stayed out all night partying with one of the men and concocted the story about the rape after arriving at her boyfriend's apartment home more than 12 hours late.

Detectives obtained video surveillance and witness statements that corroborated the men's alibis and contradicted the Reith's story, according to an affidavit.

While her false statement case was pending, she was arrested for stealing laptops from her uncle's business and violating the conditions of her probation.

At her sentencing, Reith did not apologize for any specific actions, but she expressed regret for wasting the court's time.

She also told the court that she plans to continue with her education and move on with her life when she gets out of prison.

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