



ADVERTISEMENT

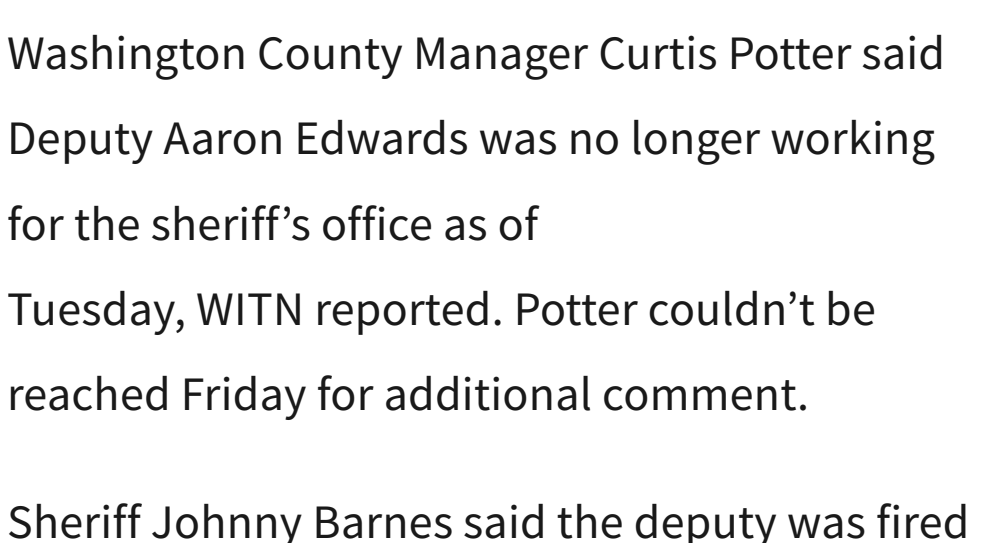


## wsoctv.com

# Putting Quick, Smart, Meck Local News.

Delivered to your inbox.

**SUBSCRIBE**



Generic lights.

March 12, 2022 at 6:41 am EST

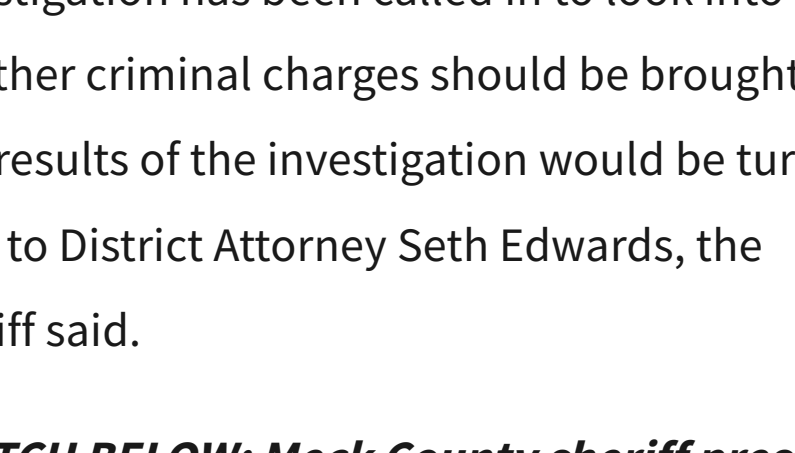
By Associated Press

PLYMOUTH, N.C. — A North Carolina sheriff's deputy has been fired after he was captured on video putting his knee on a Black man's neck, and a state agency is looking into the incident.

Washington County Manager Curtis Potter said Deputy Aaron Edwards was no longer working for the sheriff's office as of Tuesday, WITN reported. Potter couldn't be reached Friday for additional comment.

Sheriff Johnny Barnes said the deputy was fired after an internal investigation and a review of body camera and security footage.

ADVERTISEMENT



[ [ALSO READ: Meck County deputy released from hospital after being shot in northeast Charlotte, authorities say](#) ]

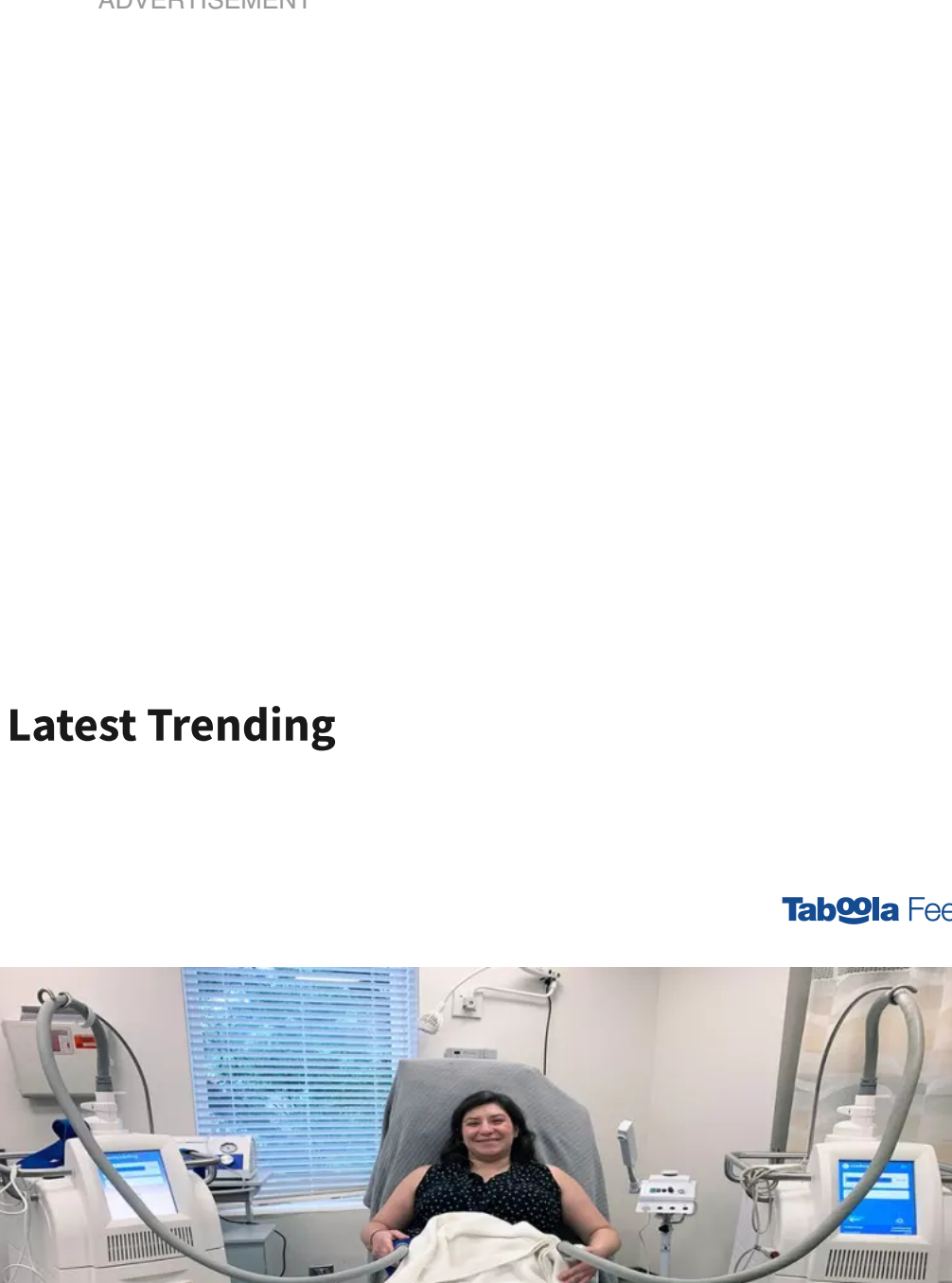
The family of the man provided video last week showing him being arrested on a charge of marijuana possession. According to the family, the arrest turned violent when a deputy put a knee on the man's neck and left him lying at the entrance to the courthouse before he was dragged inside. A woman could be heard on the video screaming "Oh, my god!" and "Get some help!"

A relative of the man was arrested when she tried to intervene, according to the news report.

Barnes said the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation has been called in to look into whether criminal charges should be brought.

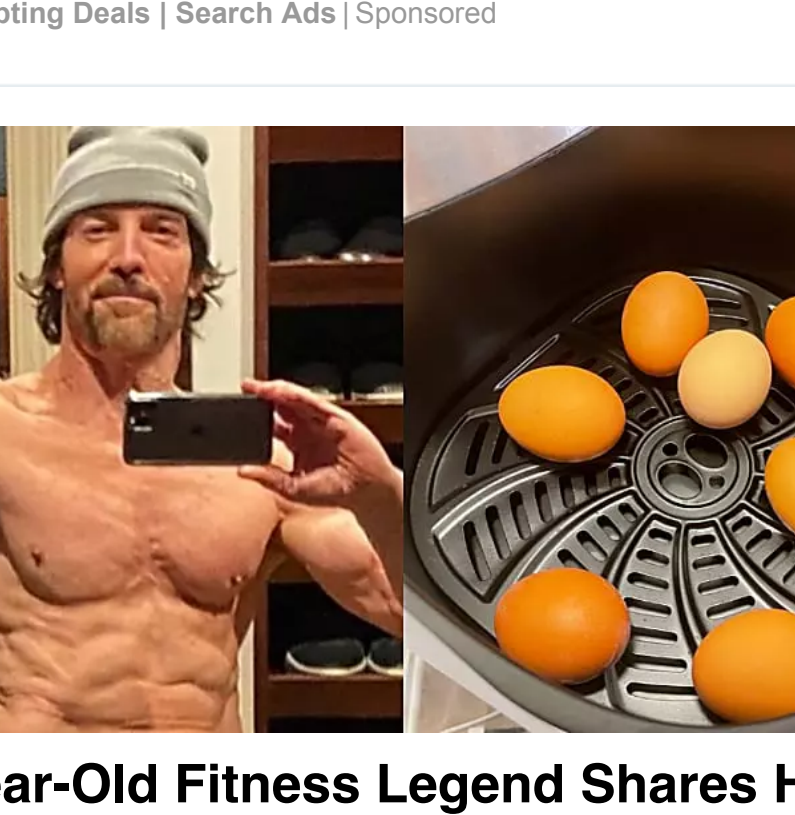
The results of the investigation would be turned over to District Attorney Seth Edwards, the sheriff said.

***(WATCH BELOW: Meck County sheriff presents plan to county that addresses jail staffing shortages)***



©2022 Cox Media Group

ADVERTISEMENT



Forecast from Meteorologist **Keith Monday**

NOW	11 AM	2 PM
56°	56°	58°

GET **BREAKING NEWS** & **SEVERE WEATHER** ALERTS WHILE ON THE GO!

**DOWNLOAD NOW**

**WSOCTV.com Newsletters**  
DELIVERED TO YOUR INBOX

ADVERTISEMENT

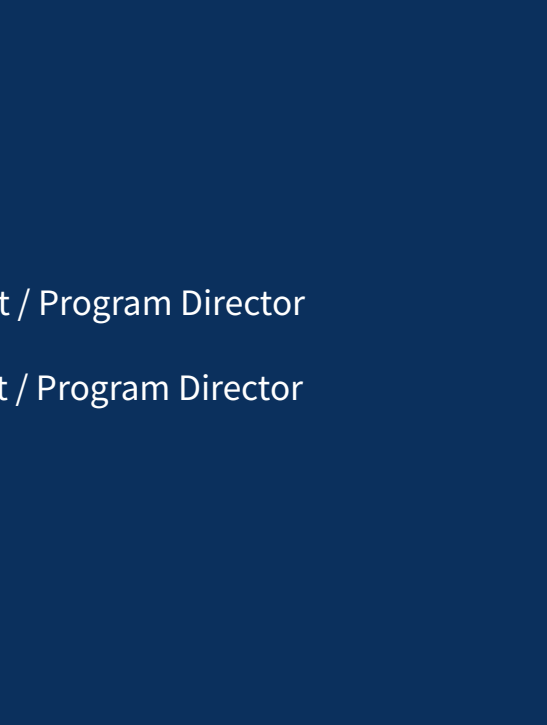
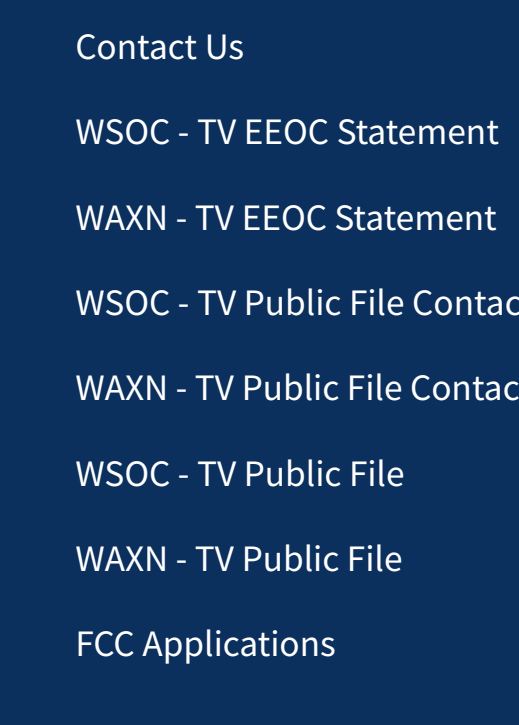
### Latest Trending

taboola Feed



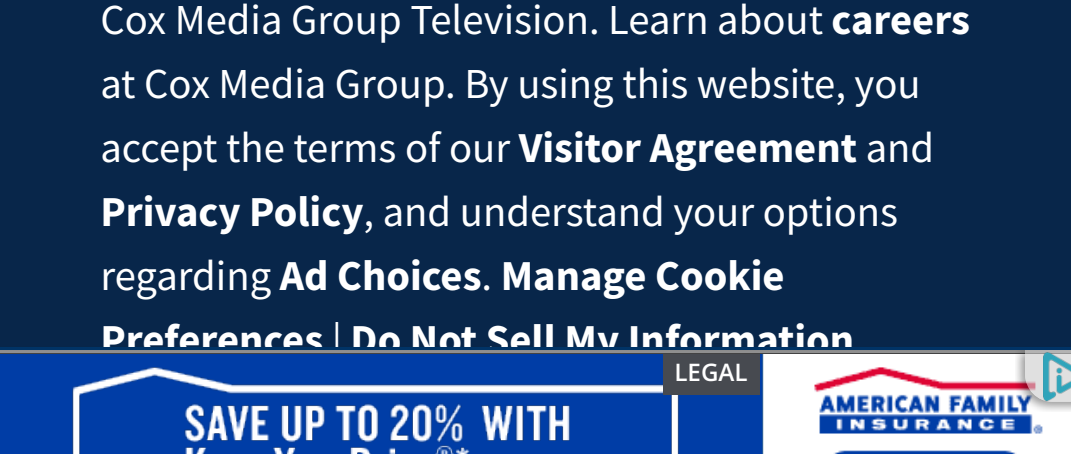
## CoolSculpting Fat Removal Cost In Atlanta Might Surprise You

CoolSculpting Deals | Search Ads | Sponsored



## 63 Year-Old Fitness Legend Shares His 4 Must Eat Foods

Power Life By Tony Horton | Sponsored



## Doctor Tells: Do You Have Too Much Belly Fat? (Eat This Before Bed)

Gundry MD | Sponsored



## Signs Of Diabetic Macular Edema - Some May Wish They Saw Sooner

Macular Degeneration | Search Ads | Sponsored



## Mature Trainer: This Is What "Ripped" Old Guys Do Every Morning (Genius!)

Power Life | Sponsored

### NEWS

Local

Video

Traffic

### WEATHER

Interactive Radar

### CONTACT US

Contact Us

WSOC - TV EEOC Statement

WAXN - TV EEOC Statement

WSOC - TV Public File Contact / Program Director

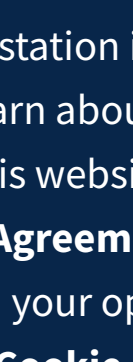
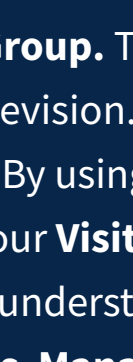
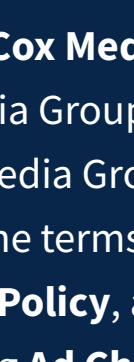
WAXN - TV Public File Contact / Program Director

WSOC - TV Public File

WAXN - TV Public File

FCC Applications

### FOLLOW US



© 2022 Cox Media Group. This station is part of Cox Media Group Television. Learn about **careers** at Cox Media Group. By using this website, you accept the terms of our **Visitor Agreement** and **Privacy Policy**, and understand your options regarding **Ad Choices**. **Manage Cookie Preferences**. **Do Not Sell My Information**

SAVE UP TO 20% WITH KnowYourDrive<sup>®</sup>\*

LEGAL



GET A QUOTE