2 Ex-Pittsburgh Cops Get Probation in Prostitution

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Two men formerly honored as Pittsburgh police officers of the year before previous legal troubles both avoided jail for their arrests in a prostitution sting last year.

Fifty-six-year-old Talib Ghafoor and 40-year-old Faquar Holland were sentenced Monday.

Ghafoor pleaded no contest to participating in corrupt activities and Holland pleaded guilty to promoting prostitution. Both men were arrested in a sting in which an undercover detective posing as a customer busted Ghafoor and a prostitute in Moon Township in March 2011. Ghafoor allegedly drove the woman to the meeting and Holland was later linked to online ads for her services.

Ghafoor will serve nine months on house and three years' probation. Holland will serve a year on probation.

Ghafoor retired after a 2008 perjury investigation but was never charged; Holland resigned in 2007 over an eventual forgery conviction.

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