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Oregon man accused of communicating with minors in seven different states for sexually explicit purposes

Today, Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill announced the filing of a 90-count indictment against 58-year-old David Cohron for allegedly going online and communicating with seven different female minors in seven different states.

As alleged in court documents, at the time of these alleged offenses the victims were between the ages of 13 and 14 years old. It is alleged Cohron induced and compelled each of the minors to send him sexually explicit photos, videos and other sexually explicit materials that the minors had self-produced using a texting application. During their online communications, all of the victims told Cohron their true age, making it clear they were minors.

It is alleged that Cohron represented himself with a username of "Perry Williams" as he communicated to all of these victims, according to court documents.

Cohron is accused of using flattery, manipulation, begging, daring them, insulting them, as well as threatening the victims in order to get them to provide him with sexually explicit material.

This investigation started in April when law enforcement in North Carolina contacted the Portland Police Bureau about concerns that an unknown individual, later determined to be Cohron, was communicating with minors online for sexually explicit purposes.

Cohron is charged with 23 counts of using a child in a display of sexually explicit conduct, five counts of luring a minor, one count of online sexual corruption of a child in the second degree, one count of attempted coercion, 30 counts of encouraging child sexual abuse in the first degree and 30 counts of encouraging child sexual abuse in the second degree.

On November 21, 2019, Cohron was booked into the Multnomah County Detention Center. He had previously been arrested in Riverside County, California and was extradited back to Oregon.

Like in all criminal and civil matters, electronic copies of court documents, which are not subject to a protective order, are available to the public through the Oregon eCourt Information (OEI) system.

No additional information can be released by the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office at this time pursuant to the Oregon Rules of Professional Conduct.

An indictment is only an accusation of a crime. Cohron is innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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