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**Ahad Shaukak Hasan, Jr. receives 90 month prison sentence following human trafficking investigation, conviction**

Today, Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill announced that the [District Attorney's Human Trafficking Team](#) secured a conviction in State v. Ahad Shaukak Hasan, Jr.

January is National Human Trafficking Prevention Month. The Multnomah County District Attorney's Human Trafficking Team encourages the community to learn the warning signs of a person being trafficked, and then to immediately report any suspicious behavior. The [Polaris Project](#) has several resources available on its website. Additional information can be obtained through the [U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Blue Campaign website](#).

Hasan pleaded guilty to one count of rape in the second degree and one count of compelling prostitution. He received a 90 month prison sentence.

During this investigation, law enforcement learned that in 2012, a then 19-year-old Hasan initiated contact with the victim via a social media platform when the victim was only 11 years old. She did not know Hasan.

The two started communicating online and eventually agreed to meet in person at the encouragement of Hasan.

The investigation revealed that Hasan used grooming techniques to earn the victim's trust. Shortly after meeting in person, Hasan started having sexual intercourse with the victim who had turned 12 years old. Under Oregon law, rape in the second degree is committed when the victim is under the age of 14.

Hasan continued to groom the victim, employing power and control tactics, including exerting control and monitoring of her social media accounts. He made her delete all of her male friends across two separate social media platforms. Later, when the victim was approximately 15 years old, Hasan started talking about sex trafficking-related activities and suggested to the victim that she could earn a lot of money on his behalf.

By the end of 2017, Hasan's manipulation of the victim culminated with him driving her to a local strip club where he compelled her to dance – over her objections and requests to leave. Hasan later compelled the victim to have sexual contact with individuals in exchange for money. For at least one of these so called "dates," Hasan drove the victim to the predetermined location.

"Ahad Shaukak Hasan, Jr. knew exactly how to starve this victim from a normal adolescence. To him, she was a commodity and an object that he could control for his own profit. He forever changed the trajectory of this child's life. She will never be the same because of his predatory manipulation and grooming of her. He stole her childhood from her," said Multnomah County Deputy District Attorney Trista Speer, who prosecuted this case.

Law enforcement rescued the victim on September 8, 2017 after an undercover investigator with the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office responded to an online advertisement for sex.

This case was litigated by the [Multnomah County District Attorney's Human Trafficking Team](#), which includes two attorneys, an investigator and a victim advocate. Additionally, an attorney assigned to the District Attorney's Gang Unit is available to help prosecute cases and support the team as trafficking routinely intersects with gang violence.

The Multnomah County District Attorney's Office's Human Trafficking Team works to protect victims utilizing a three-prong approach: (1) aggressively prosecuting those who traffic victims to sex buyers; (2) reducing demand for exploitation in all forms to include a dedicated focus on a reduction of sex buyers; and (3) ensuring adequate protection and support for victims of human trafficking.

If you are involved in sex trafficking, or know of someone who is being trafficked, call the [National Human Trafficking Hotline](#) at 1-888-373-7888 or 9-1-1.

The Multnomah County District Attorney's Office would like to recognize the members of the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office and the Portland Police Bureau who investigated this case and who remain committed to combating human trafficking.

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