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**Antonio Francisco Marquez pleads guilty to sexually abusing three girls**

Today, Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill announced that 41-year-old Antonio Francisco Marquez pleaded guilty to sexually abusing three girls.

Upon changing his plea, a judge convicted Marquez of three counts of sexual abuse in the first degree, three counts of using a child in a display of sexually explicit conduct, three counts of encouraging child sexual abuse in the second degree and two counts of sodomy in the first degree.

According to court documents, by pleading guilty, Marquez is expected to receive a sanction of 40 years prison when he is formally sentenced on February 7, 2020.

By pleading guilty, Marquez admitted that he, on multiple occasions, unlawfully and knowingly subjected three females, all of whom were under the age of 12, to sexual contact by touching sexual intimate parts of their bodies; that he engaged in oral sex with two of the minors; that he unlawfully and knowingly employed, authorized, and permitted all three minor victims to engage in sexually explicit conduct and recorded them in separate visual recordings; and that he unlawfully possessed and knowingly accessed, with intent, multiple visual recordings of sexually explicit conduct involving a child while consciously disregarding the fact that creation of the recordings involved child sexual abuse.

These crimes occurred between 2015 and May 2018.

All of the victims in this case are known to Marquez, but there is no family relationship.

The victims in this case, and members of their families, do not want media contact. The Multnomah County District Attorney's Office is requesting media refrain from attempting to or actually contacting them.

The Multnomah County District Attorney's Office is unable to provide any additional details until the conclusion of sentencing.

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