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**DIANA RODRIGUEZ CONVICTED ON 12 COUNTS IN PROLIFIC CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE
CASE**

HILLSBORO, Ore.- On September 22, 2021, a Washington County jury found Diana Rodriguez guilty of three counts of first-degree rape, two counts of first-degree sodomy, second-degree rape, two counts of second-degree sodomy and four counts of using a child in display of sexually explicit conduct. Deputy District Attorney Chris Lewman prosecuted the defendant before Washington County Circuit Court Judge Erik Buchér.

DDA Lewman proved in court that the defendant sexually abused two children for many years. The abuse began when the victims were young children and continued into their teenage years.

The abuse came to light when one of the victims called police in May of 2019. The Washington County Sheriff's Office immediately began investigating. The victims were interviewed by experts at CARES Northwest where they gave additional information on the abuse they endured.

The Washington County District Attorney's Office would like to acknowledge the investigative work of Detective Mark Povolny of the Washington County Sheriff's Office. This office also commends the work of CARES Northwest and the Oregon Department of Human Services. Finally, this prosecution would not have been possible without the bravery shown by the victim in reporting the abuse to law enforcement.

A co-defendant, Cupertino Juarez-Hernandez, [was also convicted](#) for his role in these crimes and was sentenced to 55 years in prison.

A sentencing hearing for Ms. Rodriguez is scheduled for November 2, 2021.