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DEREK MITCHELL SHINE SENTENCED TO 50 YEARS IN PRISON IN CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE CASE

HILLSBORO, Ore.- On December 17, 2021, a Washington County jury found Derek Mitchell Shine, age 32, guilty of four counts of first-degree sodomy, two counts of first-degree unlawful sexual penetration, and five counts of first-degree sexual abuse. On January 24, 2022, Judge Andrew Erwin sentenced the defendant to 50 years in prison. Senior Deputy District Attorney Marie Atwood prosecuted the case against Mr. Shine.

In June of 2019, the child victim in this case reported that the defendant, who was already a convicted sex offender, was sexually abusing her. The child was interviewed by experts at CARES Northwest where she gave additional details on the abuse that she endured. She reported this abuse began about one year prior to her disclosure.

Hillsboro police confronted the suspect with these allegations. He admitted the victim often slept in his bed but denied inappropriate contact. Police secured and executed a search warrant on the defendant's residence. There they found evidence corroborating the victim's allegations.

The Washington County District Attorney's Office wishes to commend the victim for reporting this abuse and for her participation in the court process. This office also wishes to acknowledge Hillsboro police, CARES Northwest, and the Oregon Department of Human Services for their work on this case.

Mr. Shine will be transferred to the Oregon Department of Corrections to begin serving his sentence.