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Okanogan County Man Sentenced to 25 Years in Prison for Producing Child Sexual Abuse Material

Spokane, Washington – First Assistant United States Attorney Pete Serrano announced that on August 3, 2026, Daniel John Standley, age 37, was sentenced to 25 years in prison for Sexual Exploitation of a Minor. United States District Judge Rebecca L. Pennell also imposed a life term of supervised release following the prison term as well as imposing a \$10,000 special assessment pursuant to the Amy, Vicky, and Andy Child Pornography Victim Assistance Act (AVAA). Assessments under the AVAA are paid into a fund from which child pornography victims can later obtain restitution.

According to court documents, on June 1, 2024, the minor victim, then 11 years old, disclosed to a friend's mother that Standley had been molesting her. Law enforcement was contacted. During the ensuing investigation, the victim described grooming and sexual abuse that started when she was approximately five or six years old. When law enforcement executed a search warrant at Standley's residence in Okanogan, Washington, they found sex toys that had been described by the victim and several electronic devices. Forensic review of the devices revealed sexually explicit images and videos of the victim. One video is over ten minutes long and depicts the child being coached and coerced to perform sex acts, including performing oral sex on Standley.

The Okanogan County Prosecutor's Office also charged and convicted Standley for several counts of child molestation in the first degree related to this investigation.

"Cases like this shine a light on some of the darkest acts in our community," stated Serrano. "I am tremendously proud of the work this office and its law enforcement partners do to root out predators like Standley can no longer terrorize a child."

"Mr. Standley's crimes against this child were horrific," said Acting HSI Seattle Special Agent in Charge April Miller. "His sentence will not fix the trauma he brought to this little girl, but it

will keep him from harming anyone else for a very long time. HSI will not stop searching for and investigating those predators perpetrating acts like these.”

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by U.S. Attorneys’ Offices and CEOS, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit <https://www.justice.gov/psc>.

This case was investigated jointly by Homeland Security Investigations and the Okanogan County Sheriff’s Office, as part of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Ann T. Wick.

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