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Superseding indictment filed against Antonio Francisco Marquez

Today, Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill announced that 41-year-old Antonio Francisco Marquez was arraigned on a 107-count superseding indictment in connection with an ongoing child sex crimes investigation.

Marquez is on active military duty with the United States Army but was previously placed on suspension pending the outcome of the criminal investigation, according to information previously released by the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office.

The superseding indictment, which was filed on December 28, 2018, charges the defendant with 26 counts of sexual abuse in the first degree, 35 counts of using a child in a display of sexually explicit conduct, 44 counts of encouraging child sexual abuse in the second degree and two counts of sodomy in the first degree.

Marquez was initially indicted on May 21, 2018 and charged with six counts of sexual abuse in the first degree. The indictment previously filed identified only one minor victim.

The Multnomah County Sheriff's Office and the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office conducted follow up on this case, which included obtaining court-authorized search warrants to inspect various pieces of evidence obtained during the investigation.

In December 2018, a grand jury heard from five additional witnesses who had not previously testified before the first grand jury.

The superseding indictment now identifies a total of three female victims all of whom were under the age of 14 when they were allegedly sexually abused by the defendant.

The superseding indictment alleges that Marquez, on multiple occasions, unlawfully and knowingly used all three victims in various displays of sexually explicit conduct to create visual recordings of child pornography.

The criminal activity alleged in the superseding indictment spans different dates from October 13, 2015 through May 11, 2018.

On December 31, 2018, the defendant appeared before Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge Melvin Oden-Orr and was arraigned on the superseding indictment. His next court date is scheduled for February 11, 2019. Bail in this case is set at \$15,970,000.

As previously released by the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, Marquez was also a parent volunteer at Troutdale Elementary School.

The community is asked to call the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office tip line at 503-988-0560 to report any additional information on Marquez, this case or to report previously unidentified victims.

Copies of the probable cause affidavit, the superseding indictment and other previously filed court documents can be obtained using case number 18CR31857 in the Oregon eCourt Information (OECI) system.

An indictment is only an accusation of a crime. All defendants are innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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This remains an ongoing criminal investigation and as such, no additional information can be released at this time.

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