

# STRONGER TOGETHER: HOW A COORDINATED MDT SECURED SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR A CHILD

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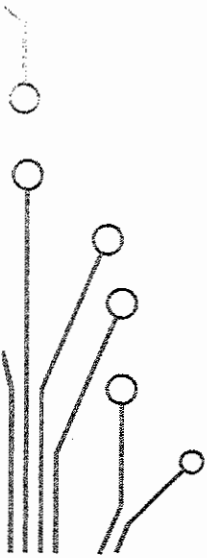
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  - b. Guardian Ad Litem (2007-2011)
  - c. CPS Investigator (2011-2019)
  - d. Therapist (2019-2019)
  - e. CAC Manager (2019-present)
- Master's in Social Work from EWU
- LICSW
- Child Forensic Interviewer (2012)



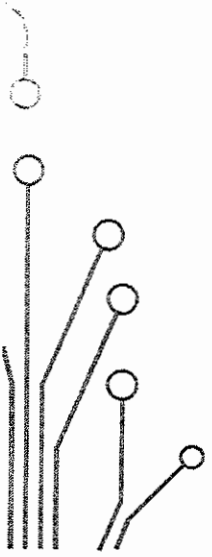
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DV/SA/CAC Advocate for New Hope for 14 years

- Prevention in schools
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Child Forensic Interviewer at Kids Hope since 2019

- Conducted over 1,000 FI's
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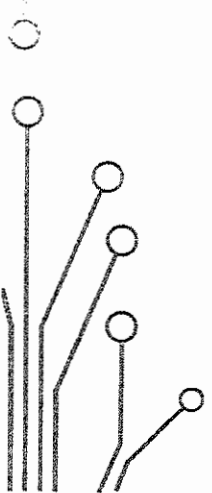
11 ½ years practicing law (2014 – present)

Deputy Prosecuting Attorney at the Asotin County Prosecutor's Office (2015-2017)

Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney at the Adams County Prosecutor's Office (2017-2024)

Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney at the Adams County Prosecutor's Office (2024-present)

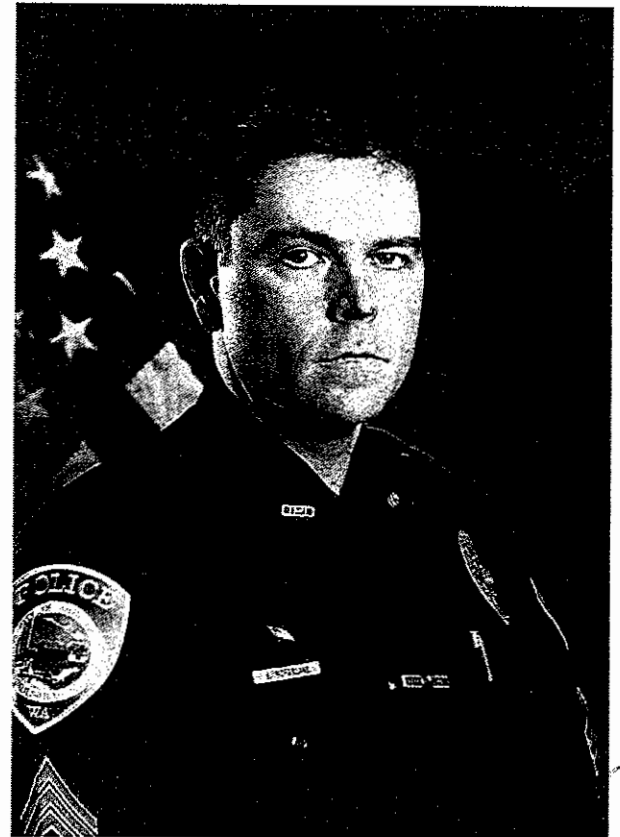
Prosecutes the most serious felonies and supervises the criminal division in the office.



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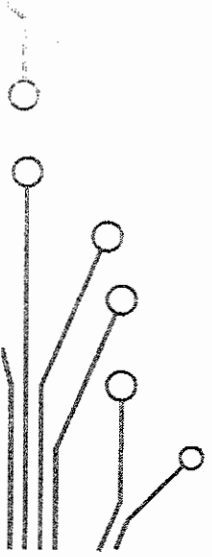
## **Assistant Chief of Police**

- 20 years of Law Enforcement and Corrections experience
- 5 years as a Major Crimes Detective Sergeant
- Department of Homeland Security Task Force Officer, Spokane, Washington
- Washington State Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force interviewer
- Othello Police Department Supervisor of the Year: 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021



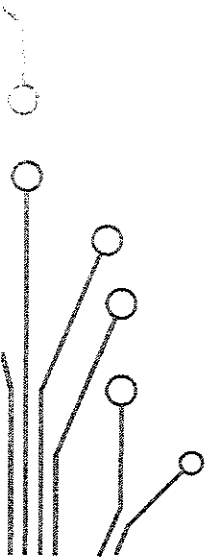
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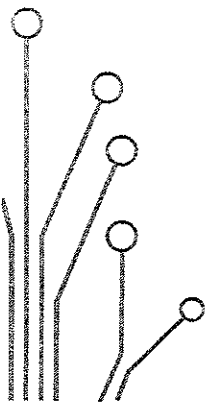
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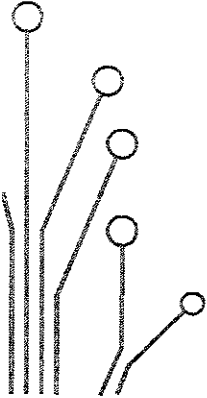
## D.O.'S BACKGROUND

- D.O. was born in 2008
- Her mother died when she was young and the present location of her father is unknown.
- At a young age, D.O. was placed with Rodrigo Plascencia and his wife, Lucia Mora-Valencia



# DECEMBER 21, 2020

- A mandatory reporter submitted a report to the Othello Police Department.
- Report was regarding D.O.'s cousin being sexually abused by Plascencia.
- The reported information contained allegations that D.O. was also being sexually abused by Plascencia.
- D.O. was twelve at the time.



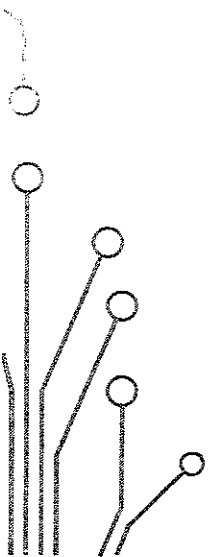
# D.O.'S FIRST CHILD FORENSIC INTERVIEW

- During pre MDT, grandma said that D.O. did not know why she was there and did not know about the allegations.
- During NEP D.O. says that dad came home to talk to her about her apt with us.
  - "if they ask you if I have touched you, tell them I didn't"
  - "maybe if we get out of this problem, we can go cruising again"



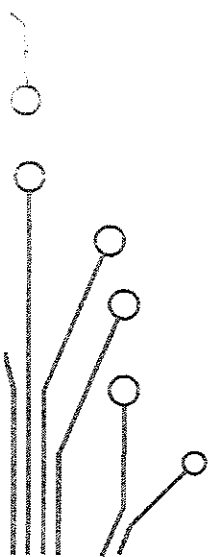
## D.O.'S FIRST CHILD FORENSIC INTERVIEW CONT.

- Although D.O. does not disclose abuse. She does say:
  - Dad comes into her bed and lays in between her and sister.
  - He kisses them from their knees to their toes
  - He kisses their stomach.
  - She describes her body and her legs shaking.
  - She describes dad as excited & smiling when he is doing this.



# PROSECUTOR DECLINED TO FILE CHARGES

- Plascencia was arrested on January 4, 2021.
- With D.O.'s non-disclosure there was insufficient evidence to prove beyond a reasonable doubt Plascencia's guilt to a jury.
- The Chief Deputy Prosecutor at the time declined to file charges.
- Plascencia was released and returned home to live with D.O. (CPS still required him to be out of the home, he lived next door though)

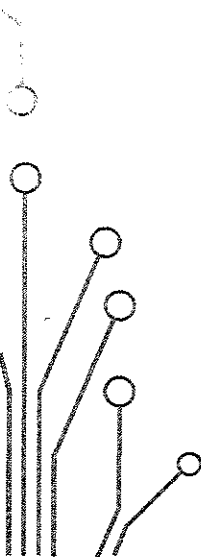


MAY 3, 2021

- D.O. contacted the Othello Police Department and disclosed to Officer Vargas of the Othello Police Department that she was being sexually abused by Plascencia.
- D.O. had her second Child Forensic Interview at school.
- D.O. was still twelve years old.

# D.O.'S SECOND CHILD FORENSIC INTERVIEW

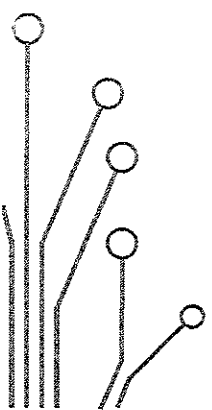
- FI was conducted at her school. LE & CPS were concerned that mom would coach her to not tell the truth.
- D.O. Discloses abuse & provides detailed encounters
- Consistencies from 1st FI:
  - Describes her body shaking
  - He would kiss her legs to her toes
  - He was excited and happy while abusing her & smiling
- Dad would tell her to let him abuse her and it would make him love her more
- She said that she didn't tell me the truth in her first FI because her dad told her not to tell me or else he would go to jail.



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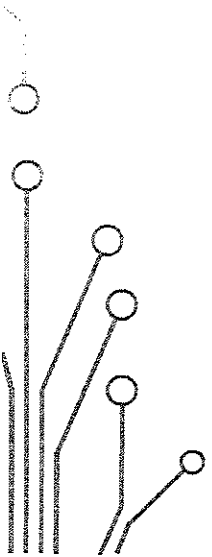
## PLASCENCIA'S SECOND ARREST

- Based upon D.O.'s second child forensic interview, Plascencia was arrested on May 13, 2021.
- The prosecutor's office did not file charges within the 72 hour deadline set by state law and Plascencia was released from custody.
- However, Plascencia was removed from the home and D.O. was left in the care of Lucia More-Valencia.



# ABUSE BY LUCIA MORA-VALENCIA

- Mora-Valencia was physically abusive to D.O.
- Unknown at the time, Plascencia would protect D.O. from the physical abuse by Mora-Valencia.

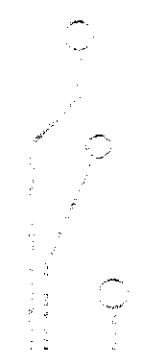
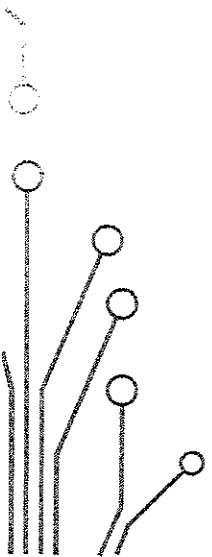


## D.O.'S RECANTATION LETTER

- On July 3, 2021, D.O. wrote a letter to then Detective Jaime Mendoza of the Othello Police Department recanting everything that she stated occurred during her second forensic interview.

# RECONTATION LETTER INVESTIGATION

- A search warrant was executed to seize handwriting samples from D.O.'s bedroom.
- The samples and the recantation letter were sent to the Washington State Patrol Crime Lab for analysis.
- Crime lab confirmed the handwriting of the letters was D.O.



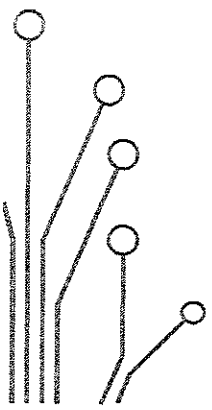
# WHAT COULD WE HAVE DONE DIFFERENTLY?

Consult with MDT partners and schedule another FI. During this FI we could have asked questions such as:

- What happened since you and I last spoke?
- Where are you living now?
- Describe your current living environment?
- How did mom react after she found out about the arrest?
- What do you want to see happen now?
- If it was up to you, where and who would you live with? How come?

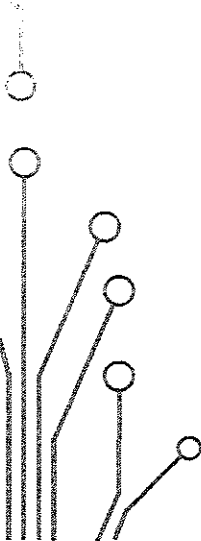
Instead, LE went to speak to D.O. at her home and she admitted to writing the letter on her own will.

This doesn't mean that it would change the case but we could have gained more insight into how D.O. was doing at this time.



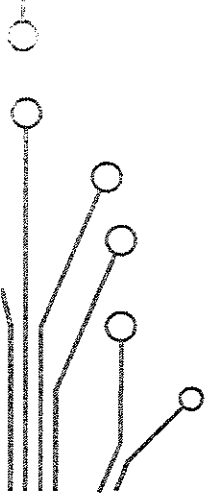
# PROSECUTOR DECLINED TO FILE CHARGES

- Plascencia's attorney provides medical report of Plascencia that he has a condition that causes his penis to bleed when erect.
  - Urethral Vascular Malformations.
- Based upon D.O.'s recantation letter and the medical report, the prosecutor declines to file charges and the investigation is closed.



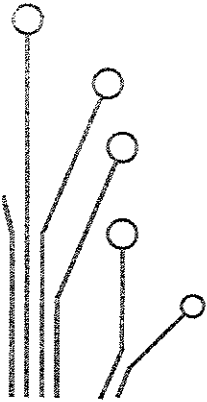
## CPS TAKES ACTION

- CPS became involved in the investigation and protection of D.O.
- Dependency case is filed for D.O. and her brother.
- D.O. was originally left in the care and custody of Mora-Valencia.
- However, when the physical abuse was discovered, D.O. was placed with Plascencia's sister, Maria Dominguez.
- D.O.'s life was rough in the Dominguez's house and her brother repeatedly attacked her, blaming her for the placement with Dominguez.



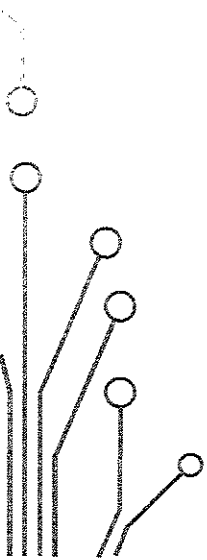
## D.O. REQUESTS TO RETURN TO PLASCENCIA'S HOUSE

- Because of the difficult life she was having in the Dominguez's house, D.O. requests to return to live with Plascencia.
- D.O. is now fifteen years old and will be sixteen in a few months.
- Shortly after returning to Plascencia's home, the sexual abuse resumes.



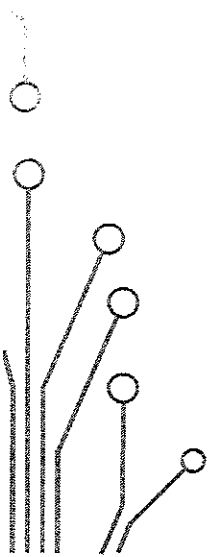
# MORNING OF NOVEMBER 14, 2024

- D.O. is now sixteen years old and living with Plascencia.
- D.O. wakes up with a headache and tells Plascencia.
- Plascencia asks if she wants to do what they always do for her headache. D.O. agrees.
- D.O. strips naked and lays on the couch.
- Plascencia gets on top of her and rubs his penis against her vagina until he ejaculates.
- Plascencia then performs oral sex on her.
- Plascencia whips D.O. off, she gets dressed, and he sends her to school.



## SCHOOL ON NOVEMBER 14, 2024

- D.O. is in high school in Othello, Adams County, Washington.
- D.O. is called into her counsel's office during second period, but denies anything is wrong.
- D.O. is again called into her counsel's office during fourth period after lunch.
- D.O. admits to being sexually abused by Plascencia.
- Othello Police Department School Resource Officer Lopez is immediately contacted and he requests backup from patrol.

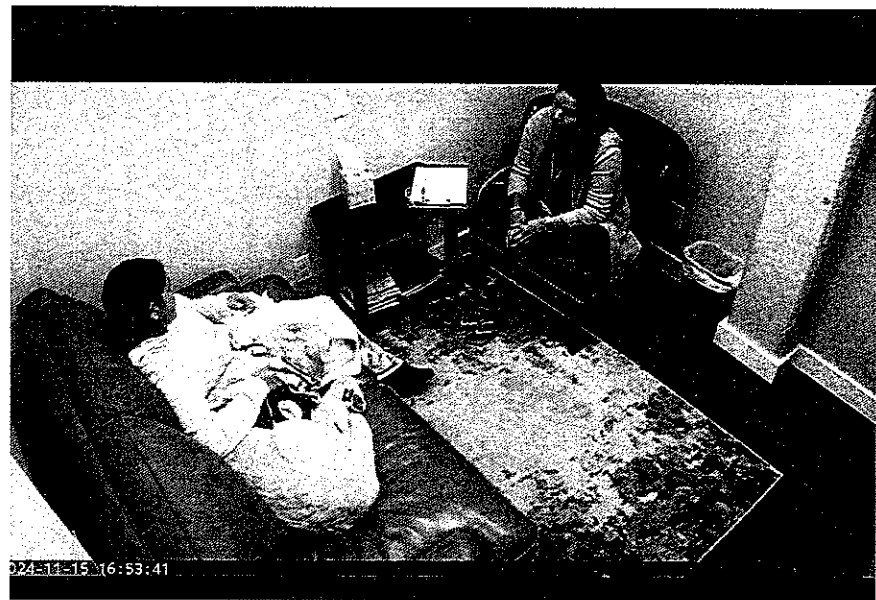


# NOVEMBER 14, 2024 INVESTIGATION

- D.O. is interviewed by members of the Othello Police Department.
- D.O. is immediately taken into protective custody.
- Officer Ochoa of the Othello Police Department immediately contacts Jace Wilson of CPS.
- D.O. was taken to Kadlec Medical Center by Officer Garza for a Sexual Assault Nurse Examination.
- SANE Nurse Marguea Sullivan examines D.O. and collects her panties as evidence.
- D.O. is taken into emergency placement by Jace.

# CHILD FORENSIC INTERVIEW NOVEMBER 15, 2024

- FI conducted at Kids Hope
- Initially denied abuse and explained why (Video Clip)
- Consistencies from previous FI's
  - Body Shaking
  - Touching Stomach
  - Full Disclosure



# CHILD FORENSIC INTERVIEW NOVEMBER 15, 2024 CONT.

- We had to ask about the letter and D.O. admitted to writing the letter and explained why she wrote it.



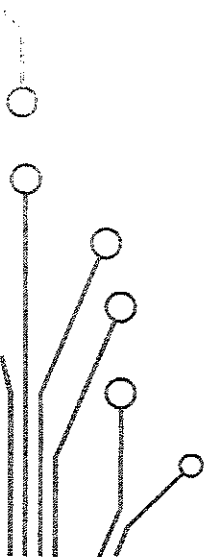
# CHILD FORENSIC INTERVIEW NOVEMBER 15, 2024 CONT.

- D.O. explains that the abuse was “normal”
- At this time D.O. is 16, although she can consent this is consistent with past disclosures.

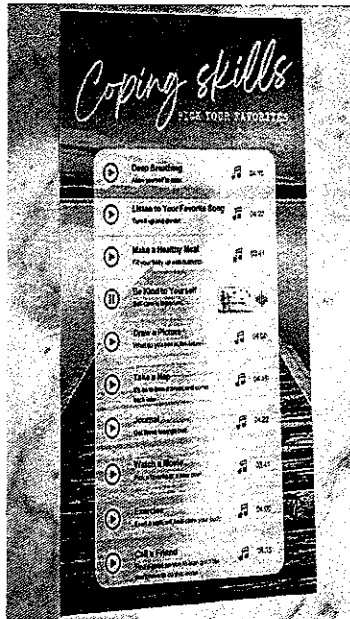


# ADVOCACY

- Advocacy is more than speaking up, it's about creating an environment where children feel safe, heard, and supported at every step.
  - Creating a safe environment
  - Protecting D.O.'s rights
  - Coordinating Care
  - Explain processes in age-appropriate ways
  - Resiliency Kit
- Studies also show that children with advocates receive more services and support, which helps meet their emotional and developmental needs.

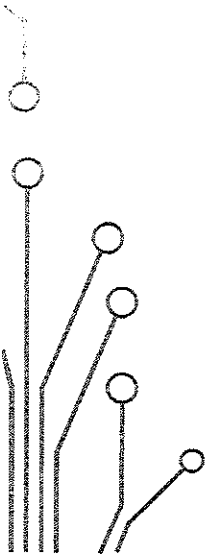


# RESILIENCY KIT



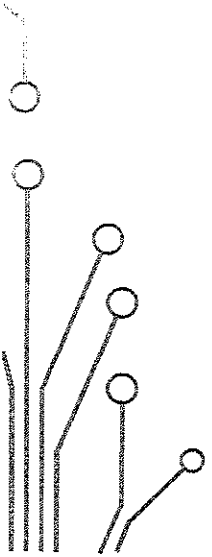
# INVESTIGATION HANDED OFF TO DETECTIVES

- November 19, 2024, then Detective Sergeant McFarlane takes over investigation.
- December 2, 2024, obtains a search warrant for Plascencia's DNA.
- Plascencia has disappeared.



# INVESTIGATION CONTINUES

- November 20, 2024, SANE Kit sent to crime lab for testing.
- Chief Deputy Prosecutor Lehman briefed on investigation.
- Active man hunt for Plascencia initiated.
- Neighboring agencies and U.S. Marshals contacted for assistance.

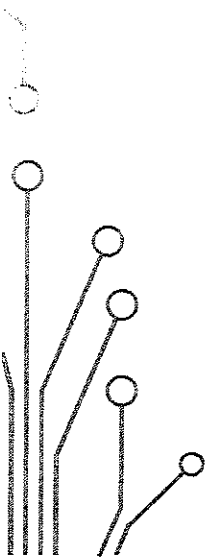


# PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE GETS INVOLVED AGAIN

- Prosecutor reviews all search warrants.
- Starts reviewing case for possible charging and arrest warrant.
- Additional Child Forensic Interview requested regarding prior recantation letter. 4th FI was to clarify penetration-Foster mom reported D.O. said something along the lines of pregnancy. She had never disclosed penetration with penis. Ill summarize this FI
- Slow walking charging decision to give crime lab time to test evidence.

## FOURTH CHILD FORENSIC INTERVIEW 12.13.24

- While in foster care D.O. confides to foster mom about the abuse. D.O. mentions “sex” & that he “didn’t want to get her pregnant”.
  - D.O. has never mentioned penis/vagina penetration
- FI was to clarify the conversation to foster mom.
- D.O. confirms that she was referring to the abuse as “sex” and that he didn’t want to get her pregnant and that is why he never penetrated her with his penis.



## CONTACT BY PLASCENCIA'S ATTORNEY

- Plascencia's attorney contacts Detective Sergeant McFarlane and Prosecutor several times in the following month.
- We refuse to discuss the case.
- Defense attorney says Plascencia will turn himself in if charged.
- Defense attorney unknowingly admits that Plascencia is still in Othello area to Prosecutor.

## JANUARY 8, 2025

- Anonymous source reports to Detective Sergeant McFarlane that Plascencia is in his back yard.
- Officer Cox sent to house and sees Plascencia going into the house.
- Othello Police Department set up containment around house.

## JANUARY 8, 2025 CONTINUED

- Prosecutor is contacted by Plascencia's attorney saying he will come out of the house if police have a warrant.
  - That is not how it works.
- Prosecutor calls Detective Sergeant McFarlane to say that Plascencia's attorney confirmed he is in the house.
- A search warrant is authorized and Plascencia is arrested.

## JANUARY 9, 2025

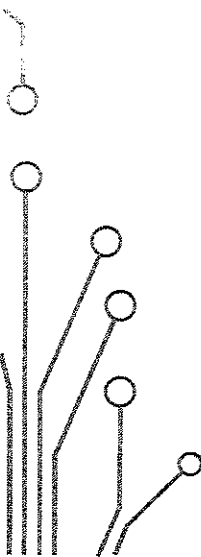
- Plascencia appears for his bond hearing on Incest in the First Degree and Resisting Arrest.
- Bail is set at \$100,000.
- Plascencia almost immediately posts bail.
- Sexual Assault Protection Order entered protecting D.O.
- Court orders State has to file charges by January 13, 2025 or Sexual Assault Protection Order expires.

# CHARGING DECISION

- D.O. was sixteen on November 14, 2024.
- Age of consent in Washington is sixteen.
- D.O. admitted that the sexual contact was consensual.
- Plascencia is understood at this time to be D.O.'s biological grandfather.
- Plascencia is charged with Incest in the First Degree, a Class "B" felony only carrying a sentence of 12 months and a day to 14 months prison.

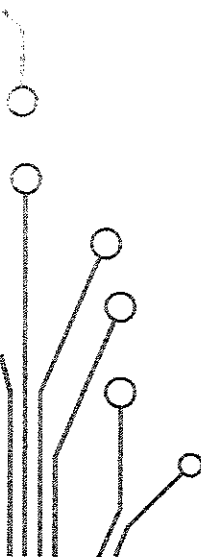
# PROSECUTION STARTS BUILDING SPEED

- State makes initial offer to Plascencia of 14 months prison and the State will not review the prior investigations.
- Plascencia tells prosecutor to pound sand.



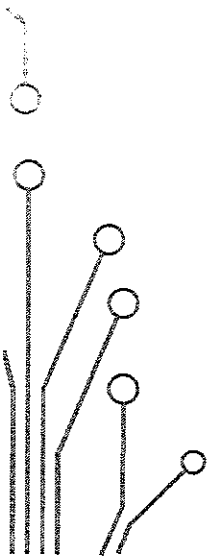
## DNA RESULTS FROM SANE KIT

- February 20, 2025, Forensic DNA Scientist Krista Zaruba issues her report.
- D.O.'s underwear contained a sample consisting of male and female DNA.
- Female DNA is D.O.
- Male DNA is 21 nonillion ( $10^{30}$ ) times more likely to be Plascencia's than someone else.
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- Source of male DNA from saliva, semen, and sperm!!!



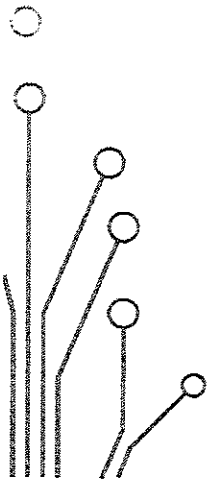
# PROSECUTOR REVIEWS PRIOR DECLINED CASES

- Prior prosecutor declined charges based upon concerns of D.O.'s credibility.
  - Non-disclosure, disclosure, then recantation.
- State now has DNA evidence corroborating D.O.'s account of what occurred on November 14, 2024.
- State informs defense attorney, unless Plascencia pleads, State will amend charges.
- Plascencia tells prosecutor to pound sand.



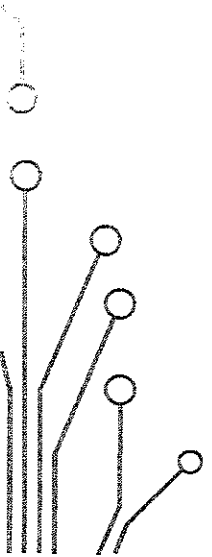
# PROSECUTION RAMPS UP MORE

- March 28, 2025, State files notice of intent to seek aggravated exception sentence.
  - The offense was part of an ongoing pattern of sexual abuse of the same victim under the age of 18 manifested by multiple incidents over a prolonged period of time.
  - The Defendant used his position of trust, confidence, or fiduciary responsibility to facilitate the commission of the current offense.



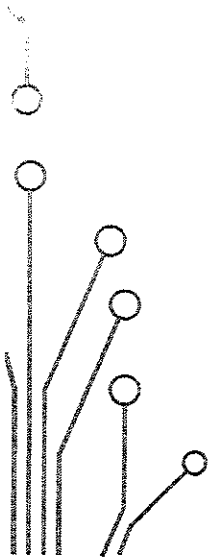
# MOTION TO AMEND CHARGES

- State Files Motion to Amend Charges on April 3, 2025.
  - Rape of a Child in the First Degree – Domestic Violence
  - Rape of a Child in the Second Degree – Domestic Violence
  - Rape of a Child in the Third Degree – Domestic Violence
  - Four counts of Incest in the First Degree – Domestic Violence
- Previously filed aggravator notice applies to new charges.



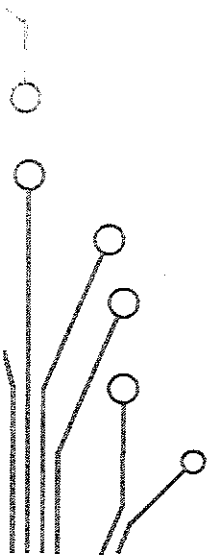
# MOTIONS IN LIMINE

- April 7, 2025, State files five pre-trial motions.
  - Motion to prohibit defense to discuss any prior sexual behavior by D.O.
  - Motion to declare Trisha Glenn an expert in Child Forensic Interviews.
  - Motion to permit Valor to sit with D.O. during her testimony.
- June 20, 2025, State files supplemental Motion in Limine pursuant to Evidence Rule 404(b).
  - But why?



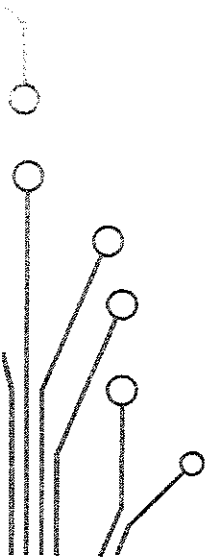
# EVIDENCE PROBLEM

- Plascencia currently charged with Incest 1st.
- To prove Incest in Washington need direct blood relation or legal direct relation.
- What is Plascencia to D.O.?
  - Grandfather? Uncle? Non-Relation?
  - How do we prove it?
- Request assistance from Jaelen Daveport with CPS to help figure it out. Jaelen builds a family tree and reports that Plascencia is D.O.s great uncle.



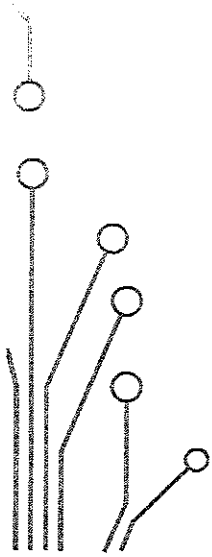
## EVIDENCE PROBLEMS CONTINUED

- To prove Domestic Violence in Washington, the parties must be relatives to the first degree or over sixteen and intimate partners.
- D.O. is related to Plascencia by the second degree.
- D.O. was in Plascencia's custody under a long term custody agreement. i.e. not legally his child.
- D.O. was under sixteen for most of the abuse.
- Cannot prove domestic violence!!!



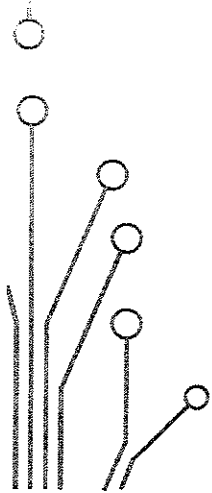
# EVIDENCE PROBLEM CONTINUED

- D.O. is not a direct relative of Plascencia.
- Cannot prove incest.
- State planned to use Incest charge for November 14, 2024 to get in DNA evidence corroborating D.O.'s testimony and her entire credibility.
- Cannot get in the November 14, 2024 evidence based upon other charges, as conduct was not criminal.
- WHAT TO DO?!?!?!?



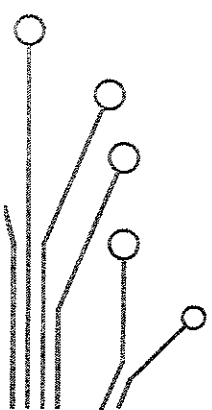
## ER 404(B)

- Normally ER 404(b) is used to prevent impermissible evidence of a party's character into evidence.
- It does allow for evidence of a common scheme or plan.
- D.O.s descriptions of what Plascencia did to her nearly always consistent in occurrence.



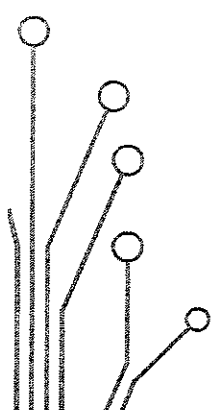
# JUNE 30, 2025

- Court amends the charges to Rap of a Child in the First Degree, Rape of a Child in the Second Degree, and Rape of a Child in the Third Degree.
- Court grants States Motions to:
  - Preclude the defense to discuss D.O.'s sexual activity
  - To use Valor during D.O.'s testimony
- Court reserves on:
  - Declaring Trisha Glenn an expert witness
- Sets a follow up hearing on the State's ER 404(b) motion to July 10, 2025.



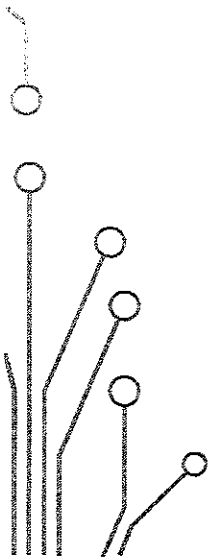
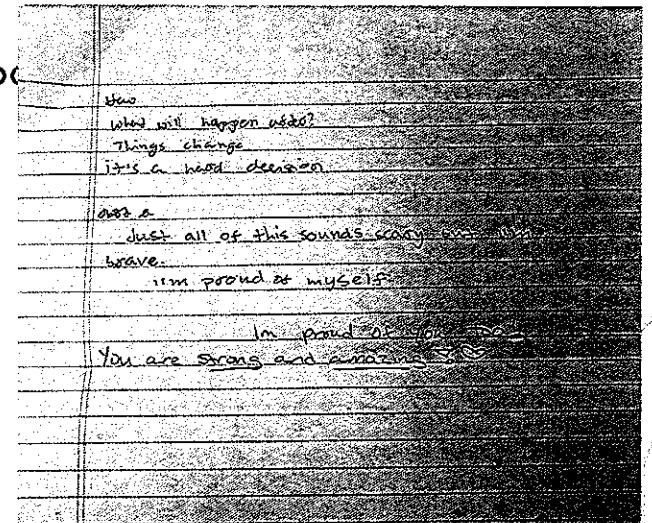
**JULY 10, 2025**

- Court grants State's ER 404(b) Motion.
- The evidence of what occurred on November 14, 2024 is admissible at trial as evidence of the Defendant's common scheme or plan.
- Can now get in DNA evidence to support D.O.'s testimony



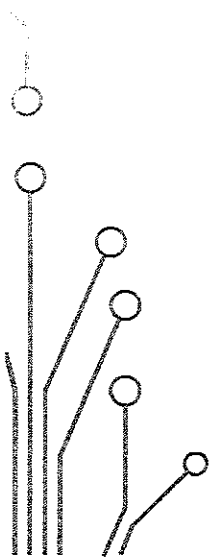
# TRIAL PREPARATION

- April 9, 2025, first meeting with D.O. and Prosecutor.
- Kids Hope Office
  - Emotional Distress
  - Grounding Techniques are helpful because they bring us back to the present
    - Going on a walk
    - Deep Breathing
  - Taking a break with D.O. and went on a walk



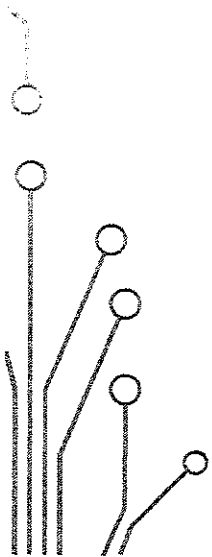
# COURTROOM VISIT

- June 13, 2025, D.O. visits Adams County Superior Courtroom
- Kid's Hope brings Valor.
- Practicing with D.O. on how to testify and how Valor will behave.
- Getting D.O. comfortable with everything.
- D.O.'s favorite color?



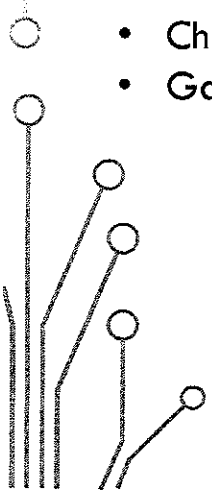
## PREPARATION WITH D.O.

- Week before trial met with D.O. by video to go over questions.
- D.O. currently living in several hours away.
- Laura drives to be with D.O. during meeting.
  - What to expect in Trial
  - Answer questions



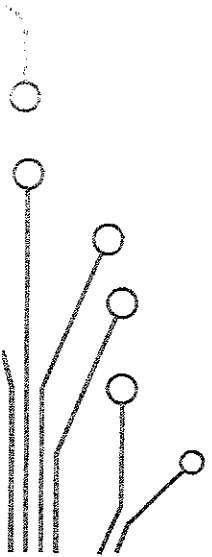
# TRIAL RESILIENCY KIT

- Snacks
- Coloring Books
- Activity Books
- Charger
- Games



# JULY 22, 2025 – TRIAL STARTS

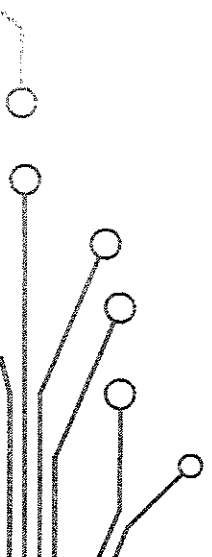
- Jury Selection: 12 jurors + 1 alternate
  - (8 men and 5 women) (5 school employees and 1 nurse)
- State's Witnesses for first day:
  - Sergeant Mendoza
  - Officer Sandoval
  - Officer Ochoa
  - Othello PD Evidence Technician Montalvo
  - SANE Nurse Sullivan
  - Forensic DNA Scientist Zaruba



# SECOND DAY OF TRIAL

- State's Witnesses

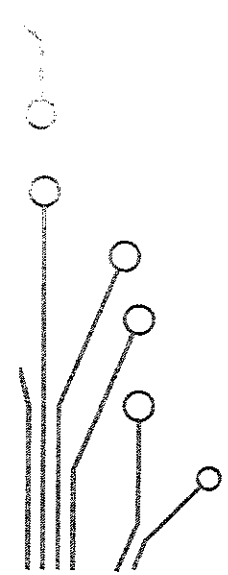
- D.O.
- Trisha Glenn
- Amanda Sikos (CPS)



# D.O.'S FIRST TESTIMONY

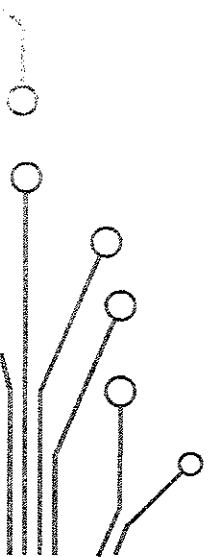
- WE DON'T FEAR THE TRUTH!!

- D.O. admitted she didn't disclose the first time, and why.
- D.O. admitted she wrote the recantation letter, and why.
- D.O. admitted she wanted to return to Plascencia's home, and why.
- D.O. admitted she still loved Plascencia.



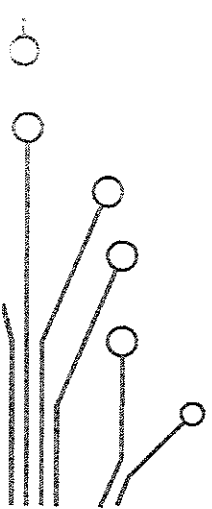
# TRISHA GLENN

- Declared an Expert Witness in the field of Child Forensic Interview.
- Rocked her Testimony!!!



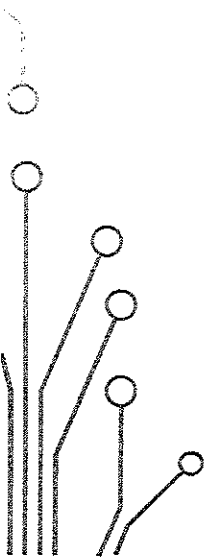
## STATE RESTS BEFORE LUNCH ON SECOND DAY

- Defense moves to dismiss charges, arguing State did not prove Plascencia committed rape.
- Rape of a Child First, Second, and Third require proof beyond a reasonable doubt of sexual intercourse.
- Sexual Intercourse means: (a) any penetration, however slight, and (b) any penetration, however slight, of the vagina or anus by any object.
- Defense argues D.O. clearly testified Plascencia never inserted his penis or any object into D.O.
- Defense is correct.



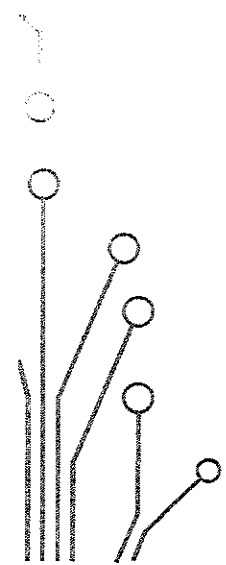
# STATE'S RESPONSE TO MID-TRIAL MOTION TO DISMISS

- Definition of Sexual Intercourse has a third definition:
- (c) “Also means any act of sexual contact between person involving the sexual organs of one person and the mouth or anus of another person whether such persons are of the same or opposite sex.”
- Sexual Contact means: “any touching of the sexual or other intimate parts of a person done for the purposes of gratifying sexual desire of either party or a third party.”
- Court denies Defendant’s Motion.



## DEFENSE CALLS D.O. TO TESTIFY IN ORDER TO IMPEACH HER

- D.O. takes the stand a second time.
- D.O. is stronger and more confident in herself while testifying.
- Defense tries to impeach D.O. with her recantation letter as a prior inconsistent statement.
- Was D.O.'s prior testimony inconsistent with the letter?

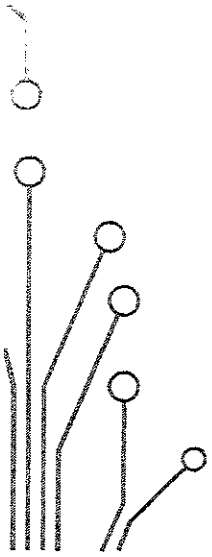


## ER 613(B)

- Extrinsic evidence of a prior inconsistent statement by a witness is not admissible unless the witness is afforded an opportunity to explain or deny the same...
- State objected to defense impeachment, argument that D.O. admitted to writing the letter, so the letter is not inconsistent to her testimony.
- Court agreed and denied the defense's line of questioning.

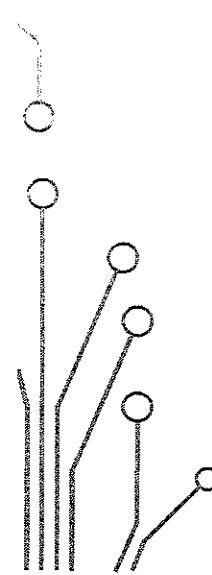
# PLASCENCIA'S WIFE AND SISTER AS WITNESSES

- Testified D.O., as a child under 13 had to do her own laundry.
  - D.O. was very "simple."
  - D.O. would wear her underwear multiple times.
  - D.O. wouldn't do chores.
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- Cross-Examination
  - Plascencia's wife had to admit D.O. was removed because of her physical abuse.
  - Of course D.O. didn't like to do chores, no one does, that's why they are called chores.



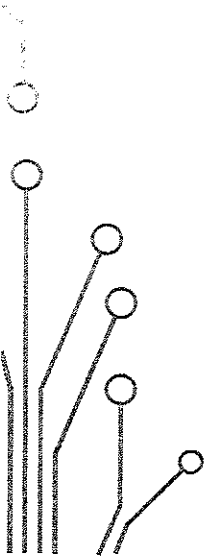
# PLASCENSIA DOES NOT TESTIFY

- Defense rests



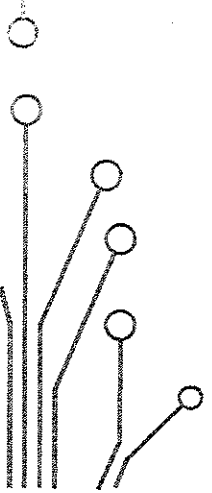
## STATE'S CLOSING

- In talking about the abuse D.O. suffered for so long, several jurors started to cry.



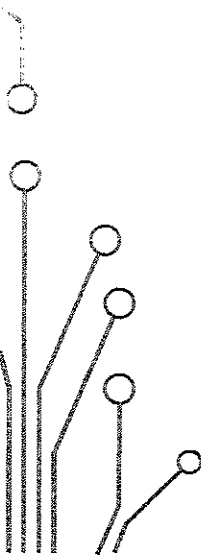
## DEFENSE CLOSING

- Defense came up with a theory that D.O. must have taken a dirty pair of underwear from the laundry that had Plascencia's clothing and that is how his DNA got on it.



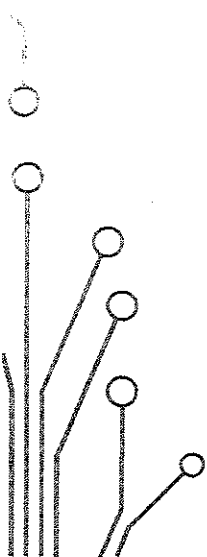
# STATE'S REBUTTAL CLOSING

- Attached the logic of Defendant's argument
- To support Defendant's argument the following had to happen:
  - D.O. took a used pair of underwear from the wash, though she testified it was a fresh pair.
  - That underwear just happened to be in contact with clothing from Plascencia that had his saliva, semen, and sperm on it.
  - She didn't report to her school counselor during second period.
  - She did report to her school counselor during fourth period.
  - Law enforcement happened to get called.
  - Law enforcement took D.O. into protective custody.



## REBUTTAL CLOSING – CONT.

- Law Enforcement happened to take D.O. to the hospital.
- A SANE nurse happened to be on duty that day.
- The SANE nurse happened to take D.O.'s underwear.
- D.O.'s underwear happened to be sent to the crime lab.
- Plascenia's saliva, semen, and sperm just happened to be found on D.O.'s underwear directly over the crotch area, exactly where she testified he touched her.
- And it was found on the inside of the underwear.

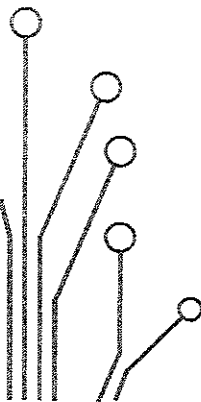


# VERDICT

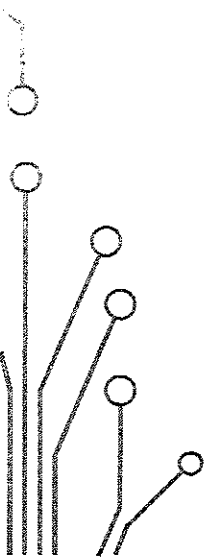
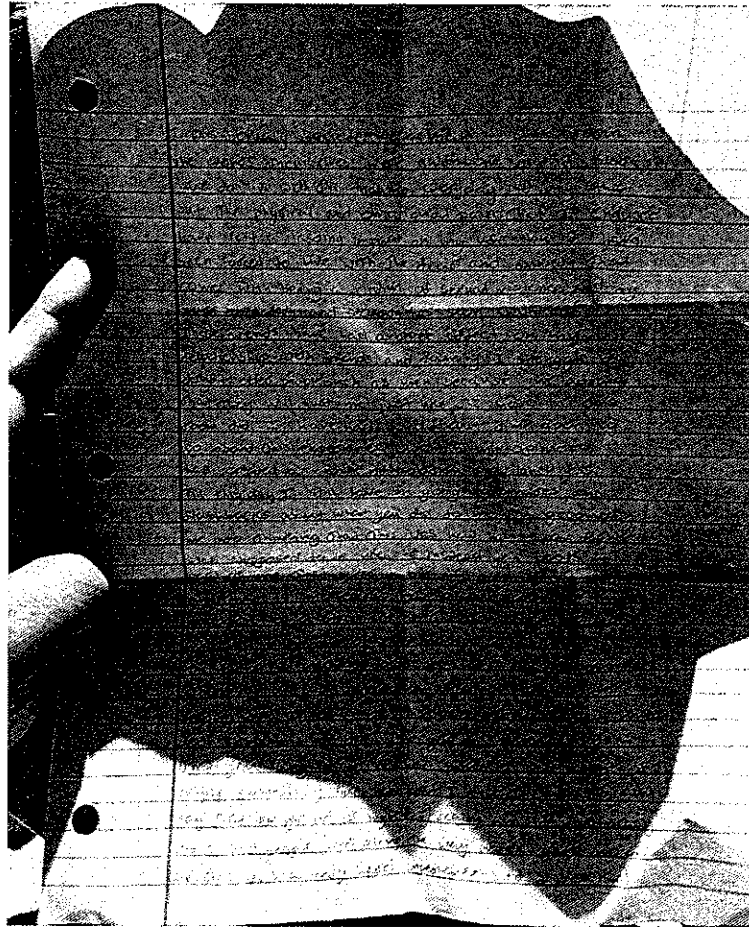
- Guilty of Rape of a Child 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.
- Three aggravators for abusing his position of trust over D.O.
- Additional aggravator for Rape of a Child 1st for an ongoing pattern of sexual abuse of a minor.
- Defendant immediately taken into custody.

## PHONE CALL WITH D.O.

- Immediately after verdict had a phone call with D.O. and Laura.
- Told D.O. the jury came back, Plascencia was in custody, and he would never see the outside of a prison again.
- D.O.'s foster mother said D.O. was fist bumping the air in celebration.



# VICTIM IMPACT STATEMENT

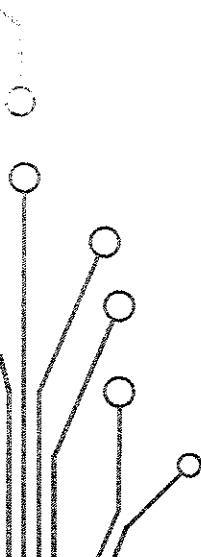


# SENTENCING

- D.O. spoke at sentencing.
- Kids Hope, including Valor, and CPS present to support D.O.
- State argued for the court to impose the top end on each count and run the sentences consecutive.
- Defendant thanked D.O. for sending him to prison.
- Defense got D.O.'s estranged brother to show up to say he was there to support Plascencia, when he actually thought he was there to support D.O.

# SENTENCE

- Rape of a Child First: Indeterminant 216 months to Life
- Rape of a Child Second: Indeterminate 194 months to Life
- Rape of a Child Third: 60 months
- Sentences all run consecutive to each other
- Minimum sentence of 470 months (39 years 2 months)
- Defendant was 66 when he was sentence,.
- He will be eligibal for DOC to consider giving him parol when he is 105.



# A LETTER FROM D.O.

I appreciate you but now I am  
this experience has not truly been heard for  
me but also for everyone involved. I mention  
everyone who helped along the way including  
Laura and Tobias for some awesome people  
they are all here and here  
a lot of patience for everyone and every  
child involved. Also the kind patient  
respect and honesty and supportive  
honesty I don't know what to say  
I appreciate I wish I could see you  
I talked to her and since a long time I  
really felt someone actually cared  
about me while I was waiting. There were some  
smart people here and they were real honest  
but in my opinion for other people just use  
patience and don't judge because you get to  
know the story also know he is absolutely  
amazing one of the best people I've met  
the day to get to know her I was shy but  
then we started talking and now we still  
check on her I'm doing because these  
situations are very difficult we colored  
drew pictures and even sang a song one  
time she suggested me in the end and with  
something else the prosecutor of my case  
was also amazing he believed in me and  
supported me and when I honestly didn't die  
he said use it in my head and they  
are all this just listening to the dog his  
name makes my dog work it and honestly  
I wish I could see you are people who  
are more so but I don't really

knew what they could fix maybe its something  
that is not apart of this but maybe not  
having a male attorney work on a girl's sexual  
assault case and ask questions to a girl  
because it might trigger something but other  
then that yeah I was scared but everyone  
supported me including a nice cute dog named  
valer who also along the way helped me relax.  
A very long process but finally freedom  
I mean a man that I once cared and trusted  
we are all humans and we need freedom and  
I'm happy thank you to all of you for  
helping me in my worst time.