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Tigard Man Arrested in Sex Abuse Case

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In May of 2021, Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to reports of a sex abuse case that took place near a hospital in Portland. The victim reported that she was sexually abused by 58-year-old Jerry Nesseth, of Tigard, back in 2019.

Mr. Nesseth was originally arrested in this case on May 12, 2021 for sex abuse in the third degree, but has since been indicted on sex abuse in the first degree, a Measure 11 crime.

Mr. Nesseth knew his victim through his work with a local church and most recently has worked as a "rafting missionary" with an organization called Oregon Adventure Ministries. Deputies are concerned that Mr. Nesseth has had contact with several young women through this ministry and are asking any other victims to report any abuse to law enforcement.

Anyone with information about this case or any other potential victims, please contact the Washington County Sheriff's Office at 503-629-0111. Case No. 50-21-6672



Jerry Scott Nesseth

