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JURY CONVICTS TENNESSEE MAN OF CHILD MOLESTING

Muncie Indiana – Today a Delaware County jury deliberated for approximately 5 hours before convicting Jamarris Harrison Lewis (DOB 05-08-1981) of:

Count 1: Child Molesting, a Level 1 Felony
Count 2: Child Molesting, a Level 1 Felony
Count 3: Child Molesting, a Level 4 Felony



A copy of the Affidavit of Probable Cause for Arrest that was originally filed with the case is attached. The Honorable Thomas A. Cannon Jr., Judge of the Delaware Circuit Court No. 5 set sentencing for September 16, 2024. Lewis will remain in the custody of the Delaware County Jail pending sentencing. Pursuant to Indiana law:

- Each level 1 Felony is punishable by 20 – 40 years in prison and up to a \$10,000 fine.
- A Level 4 Felony is punishable by 2 – 12 years in prison and up to a \$10,000 fine.

After the verdict was returned, Delaware County Prosecuting Attorney Eric Hoffman said “Abuse of children, no matter what form it may take, will not be tolerated in Delaware County. I am proud of Deputy Prosecutors Lexi Starost and Mike Bozoian, Prosecutor’s Investigator Gala Laughner and the Muncie Police Department for their hard work and dedication in this case.”

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STATE OF INDIANA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF DELAWARE)

IN THE DELAWARE CIRCUIT COURT 5
CAUSE NUMBER. 18C05-2106-F1
AFFIDAVIT FOR PROBABLE CAUSE

STATE OF INDIANA

VS

Count 1:

Child Molesting
I.C. 35-42-4-3(a) and I.C. 35-42-4-3(a)(1)
a Level 1 Felony

Count 2:

Child Molesting
I.C. 35-42-4-3(a) and I.C. 35-42-4-3(a)(1)
a Level 1 Felony

Count 3:

Child Molesting
I.C. 35-42-4-3(b)
a Level 4 Felony

Count 4:

Performing Sexual Conduct in the
Presence of a Minor
I.C. 35-42-4-5(c)(3)
a Level 6 Felony

The undersigned deposes and says upon information and belief that Jamarris Harrison Lewis has committed the offense of Child Molesting, a Level 1 Felony;Count 2: Child Molesting, a Level 1 Felony;Count 3: Child Molesting, a Level 4 Felony;Count 4: Performing Sexual Conduct in the Presence of a Minor, a Level 6 Felony, and in support thereof says as follows:

1. That this affiant is an investigator with the Delaware County Prosecutor's Office.
2. That the affiant has a written report from Investigator Kristofer Swanson, a person the affiant knows to be a police officer with the Muncie City Police Department and a reliable person.
3. That this affiant is advised by this report that on June 17, 2020 Investigator Swanson conducted a forensic interview of Victim 1.
4. At this interview, Victim 1 disclosed to Investigator Swanson that between March 1, 2019 and April 30, 2019, when she was less than 14 years of age, the Defendant, Jamarris H. Lewis, date of birth 5/8/81, did penetrate her anus digitally with his finger and penis on numerous occasions.
5. Victim 1 continued to disclose during this interview to Investigator Swanson, that

between March 1, 2019 and April 30, 2019, when she was less than 14 years of age, the Defendant, Jamarris H. Lewis, date of birth 5/8/81, fondled her breast and buttocks with the intent to arouse or satisfy the sexual desires of the Defendant.

6. Victim 1 also disclosed during this interview to Investigator Swanson, that between March 1, 2019 and April 30, 2019, when she was less than 14 years of age, the Defendant, Jamarris H. Lewis, date of birth 5/8/81, masturbated in Victim 1's presence with the intent to arouse or satisfy the sexual desires of the Defendant.
7. That this affiant is advised by medical records that on June 17, 2020 a forensic medical exam was conducted on Victim 1 by Lindsey Moorman, N.P., at I.U. Health Ball Memorial Hospital.
8. During this exam Victim 1 reported to Moorman that that between March 1, 2019 and April 30, 2019, the Defendant, Jamarris H. Lewis, date of birth 5/8/81, did penetrate her anus digitally with his finger and penis on numerous occasions.
9. Victim 1 additionally reported to Moorman that between March 1, 2019 and April 30, 2019, when she was less than 14 years of age, the Defendant, Jamarris H. Lewis, date of birth 5/8/81, masturbated in Victim 1's presence.

I affirm under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing representations are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date: _____

/S/ Gala-Kay Laughner _____