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Grand Jury Indicts Jeffrey Wilkes for Sexual Battery of a Minor Child

At approximately 7:00 p.m. on November 17, 2022, a Teton County grand jury indicted Jeffrey Gregg Wilkes, a former teacher and wrestling and football coach at Teton High School, on two counts of Sexual Battery of a Minor Child 16 or 17 Years of Age under Idaho Code § 18-1508A.

The first count of the indictment alleges that Mr. Wilkes, on or about December 2017, “when he was 29 years of age and at least five years older than minor child K.E., who was 17 years of age, and with the intent of arousing, appealing to or gratifying his lust, passion, or sexual desires, had sexual contact with K.E. by placing himself on top of K.E. and/or performing wrestling moves on K.E. when she was laying face-down on the floor grading papers causing his penis to press into K.E.’s body and him to ejaculate into his shorts.”¹

The second count of the indictment alleges that Mr. Wilkes, between August 2017 and December 2017, “when he was 29 years of age and at least five years older than minor child K.E., who was 17 years of age, and with the intent of arousing, appealing to or gratifying his lust, passion, or sexual desires, solicited K.E. to participate in a sexual act by sending her text messages seeking repayment and/or “bribes” for opening the Teton High School weight room for K.E., including by texting that “we can always find other stuff for repayment” when offered candy by K.E., by requesting personal viewing or photos of bruising on her hips, and/or by requesting wrestling to get out of class.” Each charge carries a maximum penalty of 25 years imprisonment and a \$50,000 fine.

At approximately 3:00 a.m. this morning, Mr. Wilkes was arrested in Bingham County on a Teton County warrant. Bond on the warrant was set at \$50,000. Mr. Wilkes was brought before a judge in Bingham County, and bonded out of custody mid-day. Mr. Wilkes’s next court appearance is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on December 6, 2022 before District Judge Steven Boyce.

Links:

Case filings in this case, CR41-22-1141, can be found on the iCourt Portal [here](#).

¹ Charges in the indictment constitute only allegations, and every fact described should be treated as an allegation. The defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.