

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF KANSAS
(Topeka Docket)**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Plaintiff,

v.

MICHAEL DAVID MITCHELL,

Defendant.

Case No. 17-mj-5041-KGS

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, the undersigned complainant, being duly sworn state the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

**COUNT 1
Attempted Sex Trafficking of Children**

From on or about April 25, 2017, and continuing to on or about June 10, 2017, in the District of Kansas and elsewhere, the defendant,

MICHAEL DAVID MITCHELL,

knowingly attempted to recruit, entice, transport, and obtain a person, in and affecting interstate and foreign commerce, a person, knowing, and in reckless disregard of the facts that such person had not attained the age of 18 years and that such person would be caused to engage in a commercial sex act.

This was in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1591(a), (b)(1), and 1594(a).

**COUNTS 2 -
Use of an Interstate Facility in Aid of Racketeering**

From on or about the dates set forth below, in the District of Kansas and elsewhere, the defendant,

MICHAEL DAVID MITCHELL,

used facilities in interstate commerce, namely telephones and the internet, with the intent to commit any crime of violence to further any unlawful activity, namely: Electronic Solicitation, in violation of Kansas Statutes Annotated 21-5509, and thereafter performed and attempted to perform said crime of violence:

Count	Date	Facility
2	4/25/2017	Text message seeking a mother and minor child and payment of finder's fee
3	5/9/2017	Text message regarding location of a mother and minor child and finder's fee
4	5/20/2017	Text message regarding planned sexual expectation of the mother and minor child
5	6/6/2017	Text message regarding planned sexual expectation of the mother and minor child
6	6/7/2017	Text message regarding planned sexual acts between the mother and minor child
7	6/8/2017	Text message regarding travel to meet mother and child and engage in sex acts with mother and child and make a down payment of the finders fee

This was in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1952 and 2.

COUNT 8
Coercion and Enticement

From on or about April 25, 2017, and continuing to on or about June 10, 2017, in the District of Kansas and elsewhere, the defendant,

MICHAEL DAVID MITCHELL

using a facility and means of interstate and foreign commerce, knowingly persuaded, induced, and enticed an individual who had not attained the age of 18 years, to engage in prostitution and

any sexual activity for which any person can be charged with a criminal offense, or attempted to do so, namely: sex trafficking of children, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1591; aggravated indecent liberties with a child, in violation of Kansas Statutes Annotated 21-5506(b)(3); rape, in violation of Kansas Statutes Annotated 21-5503(3).

This was in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2422(b) and 2.

COUNT 9
Travel with Intent to Engage in Illicit Sexual Conduct

On or about June 10, 2017, in the District of Kansas and elsewhere, the defendant,

MICHAEL DAVID MITCHELL

knowingly travelled in interstate commerce for the purpose of engaging in any illicit sexual conduct with another person, namely: a commercial sex act with a person under 18 years of age.

This was in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2423(b) and 2.

I further state that I am a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and that this complaint is based on the following facts:

SEE ACCOMPANYING AFFIDAVIT, WHICH IS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE
AS THOUGH SET OUT IN FULL HEREIN.

FURTHER, AFFIANT SAITH NAUGHT.

/s/ Amy L. Ramsey
Amy L. Ramsey, Special Agent
FBI

Subscribed and sworn before
me this 12th day of June, 2017.

s/ Daniel D. Crabtree
HONORABLE DANIEL D. CRABTREE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, Agent Amy L. Ramsey, the undersigned complainant, being duly sworn, state the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

1. I am a Special Agent (SA) of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and have been so employed since November 2008. Prior to this, I was an Investigative Specialist for the FBI's Special Surveillance Group in Boston, Massachusetts. As a federal agent, my responsibilities involve investigating violations of federal law, including 18 U.S.C. § 1591, sex trafficking of children. The information contained in this affidavit is based on my own investigation, as well as reports made to me by other law enforcement officers.

2. On October 21, 2015, a grand jury in the District of Kansas returned an indictment against Frank Boswell and six co-conspirators for crimes involving the sex trafficking of children. (District of Kansas Case no. 15-40086.) Co-defendant Cooperating Witness 1 (CW1), pled guilty and was interviewed under a proffer agreement in June 2016. CW1 discussed his roll and activities in the charged sex trafficking organization. CW1 further advised during his time prostituting females that he set up dates with an individual that used the name

“Master Mike.”¹ CW1 brought a juvenile female along with an adult female prostitute to “Master Mike’s” house located south of Topeka, Kansas to engage in commercial sex acts. The juvenile previously disclosed this activity to law enforcement during an interview in 2014. CW1 advised that eventually he agreed to find Master Mike a mother with children or willing to have a child, who would become Master Mike’s sex slaves. Master Mike agreed to pay CW1 to find such individuals. CW1 stated he took approximately \$10,000 from Master Mike for this business deal, but continuously came up with excuses as to why he was unable find the right family for Master Mike to enslave. Investigators viewed email conversations between CW1 and [REDACTED] associated with this activity.

3. During the initial investigation that led to the above referenced indictment, investigators interviewed victims and witnesses who discussed a customer of commercial sex acts living south of Topeka and who liked young girls and wanted a sex slave.

4. Law enforcement ultimately identified Michael David Mitchell as Master Mike, residing in Eskridge, Kansas, as the user of the email address [REDACTED]

5. In August 2016, law enforcement executed a search warrant on the email account for [REDACTED]. Upon reviewing the account content, law enforcement confirmed the conversations between Mitchell and CW1. The account content also contained communications from Mitchell attempting to obtain a female and children to enslave in his home. Mitchell engaged with women who had children looking to be taken care of financially. Mitchell offered housing and that their children to be taken care of as long as they were all subordinate to him and would engage in incest relationships. Mitchell discussed his desire for the female children to be “bred” by family members, preferably brothers, but would accept

¹ CW1 as well as other witnesses referred to Mitchell as “Master Mike,” however Mitchell referred to himself as “Master Michael.”

fathers or other male relatives. Mitchell expressed that he expected the adult female to engage in sexual relationships with all of their children, and Mitchell planned to train the females to groom their children for sex acts. During the conversations, the women (or men) discussed what each had already done to their children sexually and some included photographs of the children.

6. During an Undercover Operation, CW1 met Mitchell and provided contact information for an Undercover Agent posing as an individual who had access to a female and a child that could potentially be Mitchell's sex slaves. Mitchell immediately contacted the Undercover Employee (UCE) via text message. Below is a summary of those communications (Your Affiant notes the below information is just a partial example of the text messages exchanged and do not reflect every communication between Mitchell and the UCE)²:

7. **4/25/2017:**

Michael Mitchell (MM)- Good morning. I'm Master Michael. (CW1) gave me your number and said you might have a submissive I might be interested in.

Undercover Employee (UCE)- I might have what you're looking for. There's a finders fee and a few details that can easily be worked out.

MM-We'll have to meet. I'll want to see the properties.

UCE-I'll need to make some arrangements so you can see what you're buying. I don't live in Kansas nor do they. I'm going out of town next week and will be in touch once I'm back so we can set a time and place. If you like what I've brought you the finders fee is \$5,000. And so I'm not wasting my time or your, what are you looking for in regards to these items? I want to ensure you are pleased with them.

MM-I'm looking for a mother and daughter, or a mother, daughter and son to breed them both in time.

UCE-Age range

MM-Good. I'm not with law enforcement either. My preference is that the mother be no older than 25. That should give you an idea for the rest of the age ranges.

² Content of the text messages are written exactly as displayed in the communications.

5/9/2017:

UCE- I'm back home. I think I've found what you're looking for. She's 30 and has a 10 yr old daughter

MM-Sounds promising. It will take me a while to put the finders fee together, and I will want a lot more info on them. I've been down this road before with poor results.

MM-Will do. She needs to understand that she and her daughter will be required to be bi with each other. That has been a stumbling block in the past. Both must be submissive.

5/20/2017:

UCE-I know you're still working on getting the funds, but the mother is asking me questions I don't have the answers to. She's asking what a typical day will be. Will you work and are you away or work from home? Also wants to know if you expect her to find a job and if you want her daughter homeschooled or sent to school. She then asked about sex. How often and how rough. Would it be the same for she and the kid.

MM-I work full time away from the house. Daughter will be homeschooled. Both will work at home doing domestic chores. Sexual use is at my discretion and will include others for the mother. I'm a sadist, so there will be pain.

06/04/2017:

UCE-This bitch is blowing up my phone with questions I don't have the answers to. She's fine with the homeschooling and working at your place and seemed receptive to what you expect of her sexually but has questions about what you expect from her kid sexually and when this move is going to happen. If its easier, I can have her call you to work out those details. I don't need to be a part of that. Let me know something.

MM-If you have her number, I'll just contact her.

UCE-You can text her at [REDACTED]

8. On **6/6/2017** Mitchell sent a text to the number of an FBI Online Covert

Employee (OCE) and the following conversation took place (Your Affiant notes the below

information is just a partial example of the messages exchanged and do not reflect every communication between Mitchell and the UCE):

MM-This is Master Michael. I believe you have a few questions for me.

OCE-Hey master... had been waiting to here from u
Been wondering expectations for abby

MM-It's good to finally chat with you directly. How far are you from KC? I really want to come and meet the two of you to discuss the more intimate details.

OCE- Closer to st l
Proly 3hrs to kc

MM-Okay. I can get a hotel room. As long as I get to spend some time with both of you, it will work.

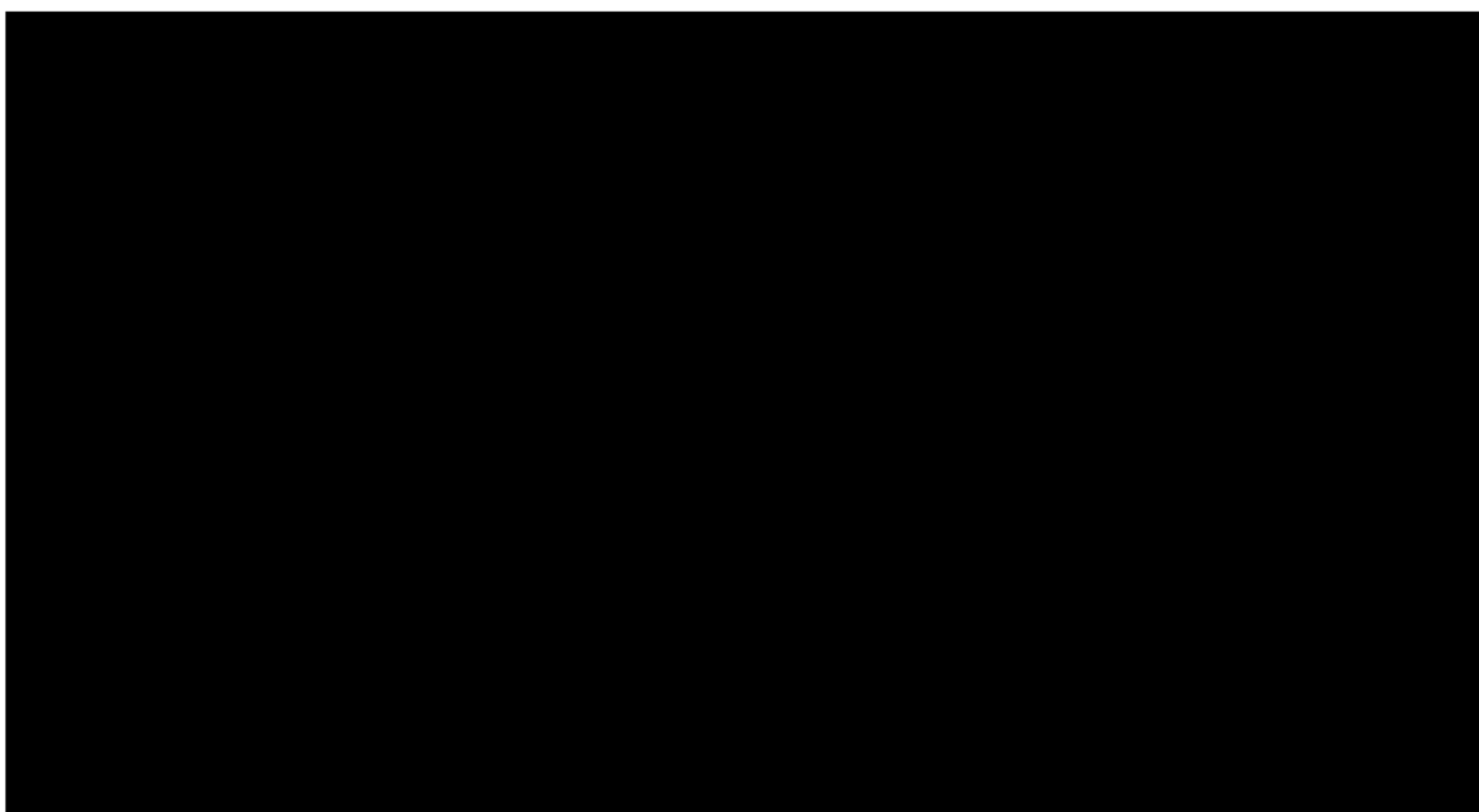
OCE-Ok

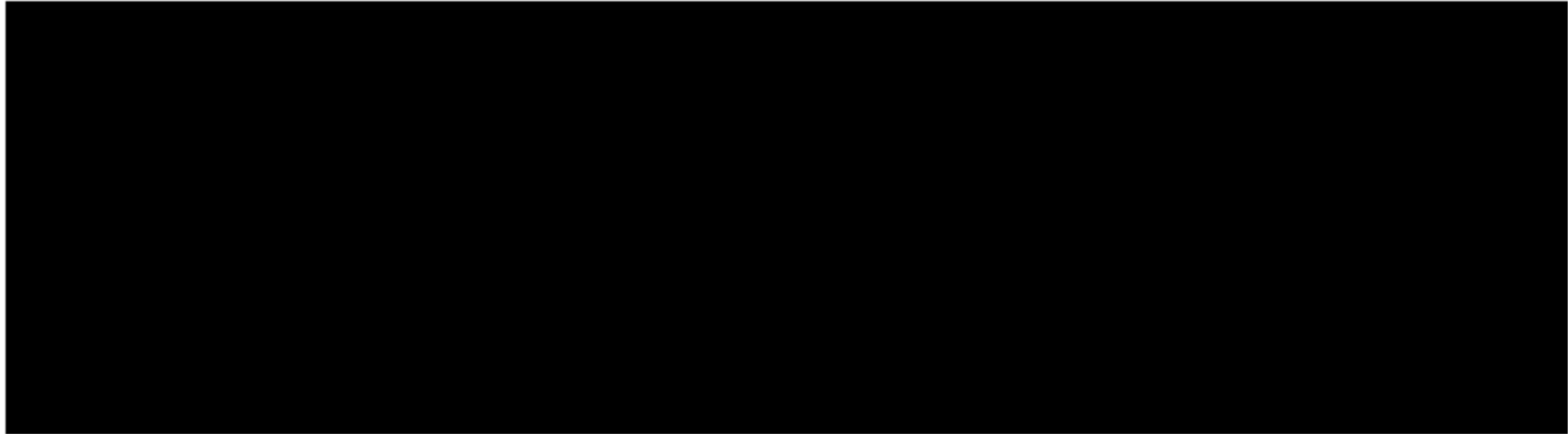
MM-As you know what I am looking for is unusual. Can you tell me what your motivation for doing this is? What's in it for you?

OCE-T told me you you'd take care of us. I got no \$ and tired of working streets

MM-I will take care of you, but it wont be easy on either of you. I'm a sadist and enjoy inflicting pain. Neither of you will ever be allowed to say no to me.

OCE- T explained... it will take training for abby





OCE-Yes sir

MM-Do you have any brothers? Or make cousins?

OCE-No

MM-That's too bad. My preference is incestuous breeding. But since that is not an option, I'll go with some form of group breeding. Of course that would not occur right away.

OCE-Oh ok


MM- My job precludes being a partier. Random drug testing.

OCE- Whoa... what's ur job

MM- I work at a nuclear power plant

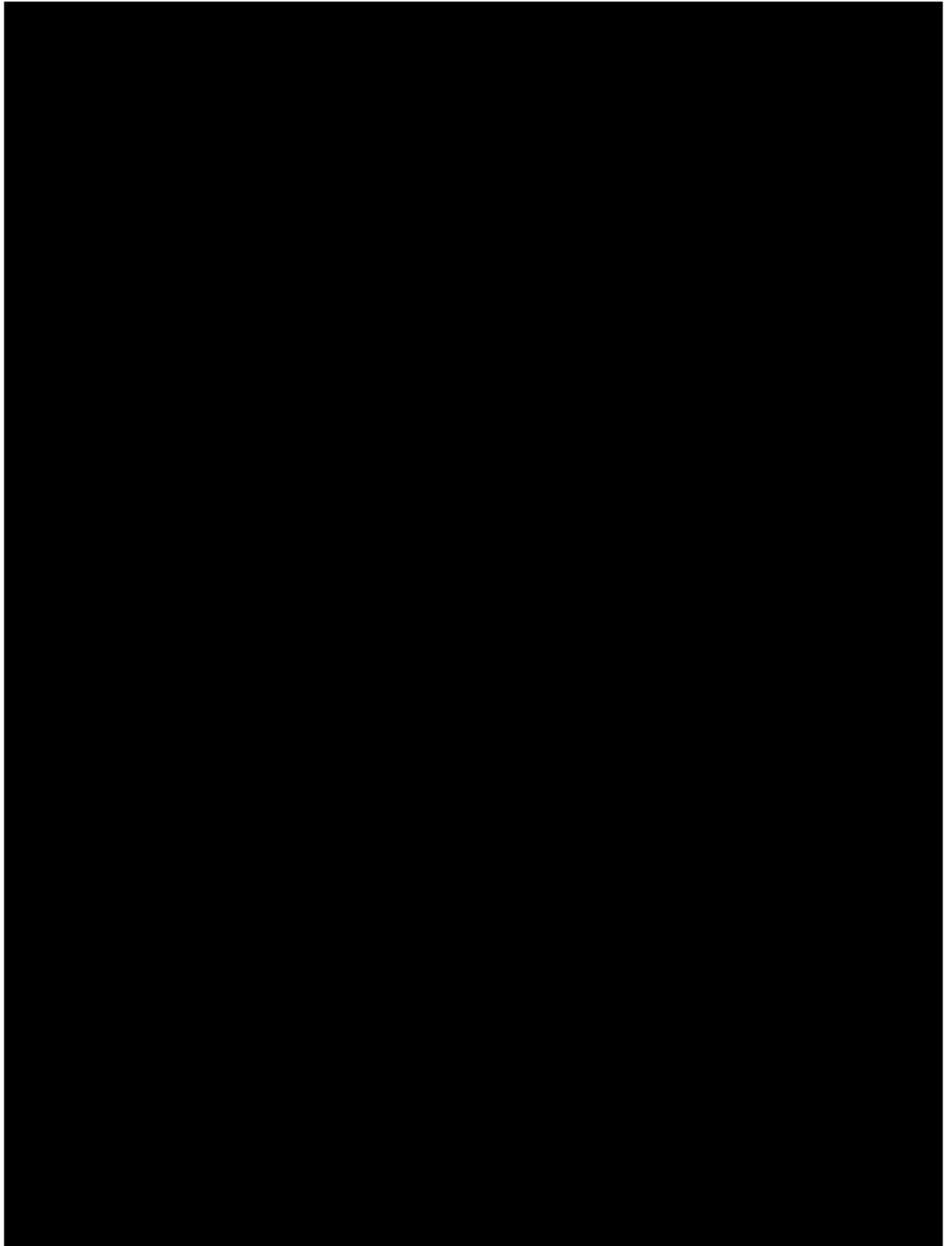
OCE- That's crazy

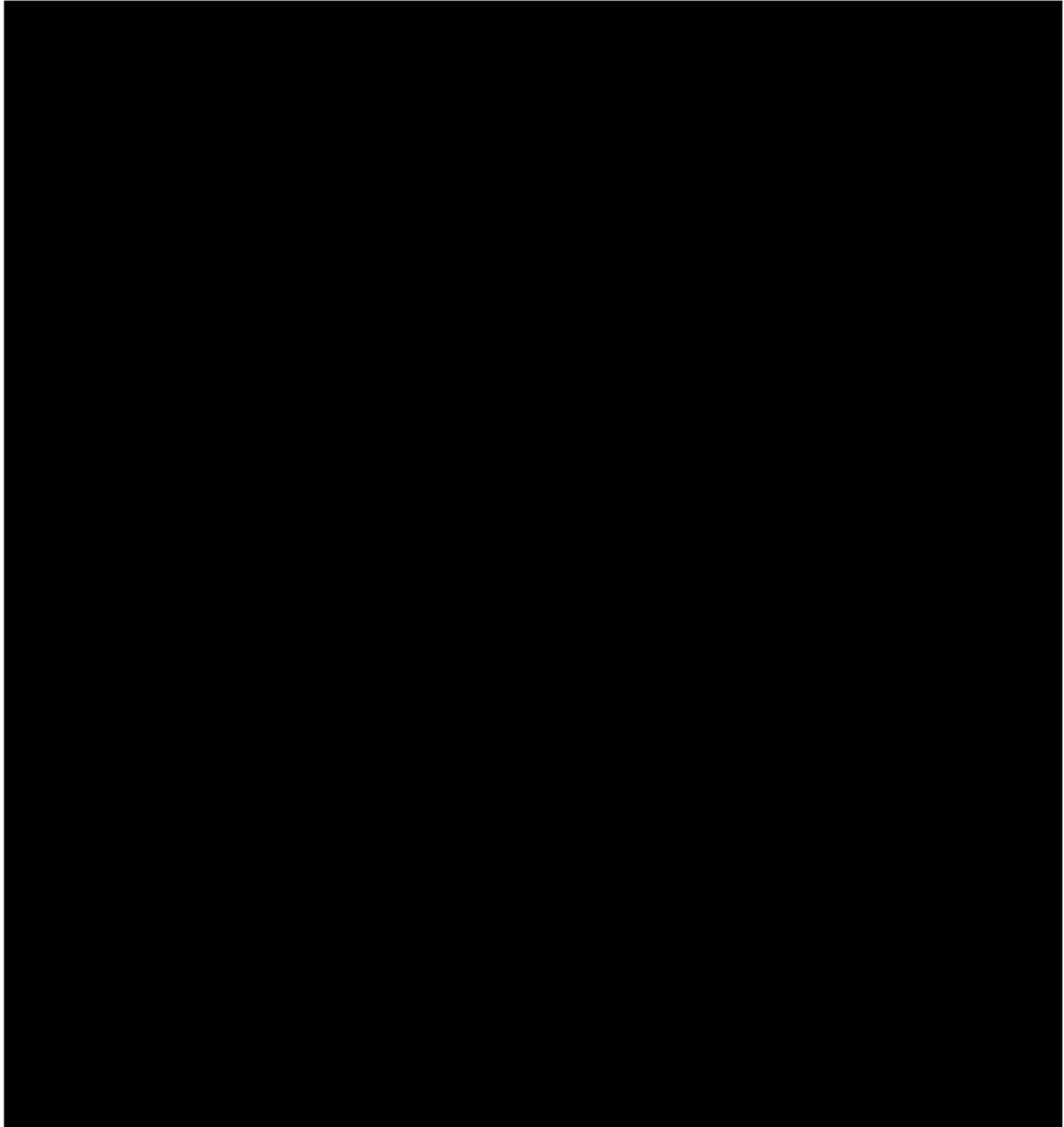
MM-LOL. It is what it is. I've been here over 30 years.



9. On **06/08/2017**, UCE and OCE received text messages confirming Mitchell's intent to travel to Kansas City, Missouri to meet the UCE, OCE and the child and for him to test out the "property." UCE and Mitchell agreed upon an area of Kansas City, as well as a time of approximately 11:00am on Saturday 06/10/2017. A specific hotel location was given to Mitchell on Saturday morning (06/10/2017). Mitchell agreed to pay the UCE a down payment of half of the original agreed upon amount of \$5,000 in order to test out the property, meaning the female and her daughter for the weekend of 06/10/2017.

10. Additional pertinent text messages occurred on **06/09/2017** between Mitchell and the OCE, some of these texts are provided below:





11. On Saturday, **06/10/2017**, Mitchell departed his residence in Ottawa, Kansas and drove his blue Toyota Tundra a logical route to the Adams Mark Hotel, Kansas City, Missouri and met the UCE in the lobby of the hotel. The UCE and Mitchell departed the hotel lobby and walked to Mitchell's vehicle where Mitchell fanned a stack of money at the UCE, later counted as \$2,513.00, the agreed upon down payment of half the original agreed upon price for the females. Mitchell grabbed a red duffel bag and returned to the hotel lobby with the UCE. The UCE escorted Mitchell to a room on the sixth floor of the hotel, when Mitchell entered the room

he was taken into custody on a probable cause arrest. The red bag Mitchell carried into the hotel room contained materials related to sexual torture to include, but not limited to, handcuffs, ropes, leather fringe whips, solid whips, fish hooks, lubricant, eye coverings, zip ties, and chains. Before his arrest, the UCE asked Mitchell if he was planning to stay the night with the females and Mitchell responded that it was “all up to Abby.” Your Affiant notes, Abby was the name used for the 10- year-old female.

12. Upon his arrest, Mitchell was transported to the Independence Police Department where he was interviewed, post-Miranda, by your Affiant and Task Force Officer Derrick Wilczek. Mitchell understood why he was arrested and explained that he had attempted to purchase a mother and daughter for sexual purposes. Mitchell was aware the daughter’s age was 10. Mitchell stated he did not always have sexual desires for children, but they developed after he had sex with two adult sisters and became very interested in incest. Mitchell was also heavily involved in the BDSM³ culture and considered himself a sadist. Mitchell wanted to find a family that he could breed in incest as well as inflict pain upon them.

13. Mitchell advised he had been looking to fulfill his desire for incest to include a mother and her children for approximately five years. Mitchell paid a man he knew to be a pimp, named Sean, last name unknown, \$15,000.00 to find a mother and child to enslave in his home. Mitchell advised this same pimp, named Sean, drove a 15- year-old female to his house for the purposes of commercial sex. Mitchell identified the female, known to law enforcement from a separate investigation, in a photograph shown to him by your Affiant. Mitchell stated that Sean told him the female was 15 years of age.

³ According to Wikipedia, “BDSM is a variety of often erotic practices or roleplaying involving bondage, discipline, dominance and submission, sadomasochism, and other related interpersonal dynamics.”

14. Mitchell advised the law enforcement team involved in his arrest that he knew they had ruined his life, but he was thankful someone had stopped him.

15. Based upon the forgoing, the undersigned respectfully submits that there is probable cause to charge the defendant, Michael David Mitchell, with the following:

- a. attempted sex trafficking of a minor within the District of Kansas, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1591;
- b. unlawful use of an interstate facility with intent to commit a crime of violence, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1952(a)(2)
- c. coercion and enticement, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2422(b);
- d. travel with intent to engage in illicit sexual conduct, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2423(b).

FURTHER, AFFIANT SAITH NAUGHT.

/s/ Amy L. Ramsey
Amy L. Ramsey, Special Agent
FBI

Subscribed and sworn before
me this 12th day of June, 2017.

s/ Daniel D. Crabtree
HONORABLE DANIEL D. CRABTREE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE