

Astoria man charged with home improvement fraud in Connecticut

Extradited over the weekend

By JOHN NICKERSON
Stamford Advocate

STAMFORD, Conn. — An Astoria man was extradited from Oregon over the weekend for allegedly collecting deposits from three Stamford residents in 2013 and fleeing without performing any work.

John Mech, 56, was charged with three counts each of third-degree larceny, conspiracy to commit larceny and impersonating a licensed home contractor. At his arraignment at the Stamford courthouse Monday afternoon, Judge Richard Comerford ordered that he be held in lieu of a \$50,000 court appearance bond.

While arrest warrants for Mech have been pending since 2014, a recent brush

with the law in Oregon for a salmon fishing violation revealed Mech was wanted in Connecticut and he was held by authorities until he could be extradited. Mech has no criminal record.

Supervisory Assistant State's Attorney Steven Weiss said Mech also has pending arrest warrants in Monroe, Westport and Trumbull for similar activity.

Weiss said the high bond was needed because Mech's "exposure was somewhat serious."

Stamford Property Crimes Sgt. Sean Scanlan said the ripoffs to the Stamford homeowners occurred in March, April and September of 2013. During each of those incidents Mech took over \$2,000 from each homeowner, Scanlan said.



John Mech

Man gets six years for sex crimes

Victims were teenage girls

By JACK HEFFERNAN
The Daily Astorian

A man was sentenced to more than six years in prison Monday after pleading to guilty to sex crimes against three teenage girls in Clatsop County.

Tyler Dean Campbell, 25, will serve 80 months in prison after pleading no contest in July to first-degree online sexual corruption of a child, tampering with a witness, furnishing to a person under 21 and two counts of attempt to commit a Class A felony. He originally faced rape, sod-

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omy, assault, strangulation and more furnishing charges before reaching a plea deal with the Clatsop County District Attorney's Office.

Campbell had been found guilty of a sex offense in Washington state and pleaded guilty in 2016 to failing to register as a sex offender. He also was convicted of fourth-degree assault in Clatsop County. An indictment in Clackamas County also charges him with two counts

of assault and one count of strangulation following a reckless driving incident in 2016.

Campbell does not have a residence in Clatsop County and had been sleeping in acquaintances' homes. Two of the victims said they were under the influence of intoxicants during the alleged acts while another was a minor whom he had attempted to lure online into sexual acts.

One of the victims who

was intoxicated said Campbell forced her to drink. He also threatened two of them in an attempt to prevent them from disclosing the crimes.

Campbell and Mary Ann Murk, his court-appointed attorney, both said his alcohol abuse was a major factor in the cases.

"He has very low inhibitions," Murk said. "He operates at a level of maturity that is much lower than his actual age."

But Circuit Court Judge Paula Brownhill was not buying what she called an excuse for the crimes.

"I think you're a sexual predator," Brownhill said. "If I could lock you up for more than 80 months, I would do so."

Alleged skateboard thief arrested in Astoria

By JACK HEFFERNAN
The Daily Astorian

A man who allegedly smashed a storefront window near the Astoria Riverwalk and stole a skateboard was arrested Sunday morning.

Astoria Police responded to a report of the incident just after 7 a.m. at Coldwater Surf and Skate, located at 80 11th Street. A sliding glass window had been smashed and a large rock was found inside.

Police later located Jonathan Leroy Thompson, 18, listed by authorities as a transient, near 16th Street and Commercial Street just after 10 a.m. Thompson allegedly then chucked a longboard, valued at roughly \$200, into

bushes when police arrived. Police arrested Thompson and charged him with second-degree criminal mischief, second-degree burglary and second-degree theft.

Rusty House has co-owned the shop with his wife, Julie, since 2014. Opened originally in 2006, the shop has moved locations twice. House said he cannot recall any previous break-ins.

"I think it was just a stupid young guy who made a big mistake," House said.

Later Sunday, a wooden board covered the damaged glass and featured a message written in white spray paint: "Do your worst! Open during storm! Bullies suck."

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A	L	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
2	KATU	KATU News at 6 (N)		Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Middle	Fresh Off the Boat	Black-ish	Black-ish	Somewhere Between "Ghost" (N)	KATU News (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel	
4	KOMO	KOMO 4 News (N)		Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	The Middle	Fresh Off the Boat	Black-ish	Black-ish	Somewhere Between "Ghost" (N)	KOMO 4 News (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel	
5	KING	NBC News (N)	KING 5 News (N)	KING 5 News (N)	Evening	America's Got Talent	"Live Show Five" (N)			Midnight "Riders on the Storm" (N)	KING 5 News (N)	(35) Tonight Show	
6	KOIN	KOIN Local 6 (N)	Evening News (N)	Extra	Ent. Tonight	NCIS "Something Blue"		Bull "Dirty Little Secrets"		NCIS: New O. "Down the Rabbit Hole"	KOIN 6 News (N)	(35) Colbert	
7	KIRO	KIRO 7 News (N)	Evening News (N)	The Insider	Ent. Tonight	NCIS "Something Blue"		Bull "Dirty Little Secrets"		NCIS: New O. "Down the Rabbit Hole"	KIRO News (N)	(35) Colbert	
8	KGW	KGW News at 6:00 p.m. (N)		Live at 7 (N)	Inside Edition	America's Got Talent	"Live Show Five" (N)			Midnight "Riders on the Storm" (N)	KGW News (N)	(35) Tonight Show	
9	KRCW	Modern Family	Modern Family	The Goldbergs	The Goldbergs	The Flash "I Know Who You Are"		Legends "Fellowship of the Spear"		News at 10 (N)	Two and a Half	Two and a Half	Met Your Mother
10	KOPB	Ask-Old House	Business (N)	PBS NewsHour (N)		Roy Orbison: Black & White Night 30		Performances "Hamilton's America"		News at 10 (N)	Two and a Half	Two and a Half	Rock Rewind 1968
12	KPTV	6 O'Clock News (N)		Family Feud	Family Feud	Lethal "Unnecessary Roughness"		The Mick	Brooklyn 99	10 O'Clock News (N)	News (N)	News (N)	Raising Hope
13	KPDx	Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	FOX 12's News (N)		9 O'Clock News (N)		Family Guy	American Dad!	The Game	The Game
13	KCPQ	Modern Family	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Lethal "Unnecessary Roughness"		The Mick	Brooklyn 99	Q13 News at 10 (N)	Q13 News (N)	Q13 News (N)	The Simpsons
20	TBS	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Conan (N)	Conan (N)
22	KZJO	Friends	Friends	The Goldbergs	The Goldbergs	Modern Family	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Two and a Half	Two and a Half
29	ESPN	(5:00) 30 for 30 (N)	30for30Short (N)	To Be Announced		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter With Scott Van Pelt (N)		SportsCenter (N)	SportsCenter (N)	SportsCenter (N)	SportsCenter (N)
30	ESPN2	WNBA Basketball Playoffs (L)				NFL Live		E:60		Jalen & Jacoby (N)	The Fantasy Show	30 for 30 "Year of the Scab"	
31	NICK	The Loud House	Henry Danger	Henry Danger	The Thundermans	The Thundermans	NickyRickyDicky	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	Friends	Friends
32	DISN	Jessie	Bunk'd	K.C. Undercover	K.C. Undercover	Raven's Home	Stuck in Middle	Bizaardvark	Bizaardvark	Liv and Maddie	K.C. Undercover	Bizaardvark	Raven's Home
34	FAM	(3:10) *** Just Go With It (2011, Comedy)	Jennifer Aniston, Brooklyn Decker, Adam Sandler.			(5:00) *** Matilda (1996, Family)	Danny DeVito, Rhea Perlman, Mara Wilson.					The 700 Club	
35	FAM	(4:30) Noah ('14, Drama)	Russell Crowe.	(2:0) Noah (2014, Drama)	Jennifer Connelly, Emma Watson, Russell Crowe.					(1:0) FXM Presents	*** Red Tails ('12, Act)	Terrence Howard, Cuba Gooding Jr.	
36	LIFE	Dance Moms		Dance Moms		Dance Moms		Dance Moms		Mothers live vicariously through their daughters.		Little Women: LA	
38	ROOT	(5:00) MLB Baseball Seattle Mariners at Texas Rangers (L)				Post-game	MLB Baseball Seattle Mariners at Texas Rangers Site: Globe Life Park -- Arlington, Texas					Post-game	
39	FS1	(5:00) UEFA Soccer Champions League		UFC Unleashed (N)		Speak for Yourself		Skip and Shannon: Undisputed Opinions on the biggest sports topics of the day.					
43	SPIKE	Ink Master "Drill Baby, Drill"		Ink Master "Grim Inker"		Ink Master "Pit Fall"		Ink Master "Sell Out"		Ink Master (N)		Ink Master (N)	Tattoo Night.
44	COM	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	The Daily Show (N)	The Daily Show
45	HIST	America: The Story of the Us		Forged in Fire		Forged in Fire: Cutting Deeper		Forged in Fire	Weapon smiths recreate iconic weapons from the past. (N)		(05) Forged in Fire		
46	A&E	Remini: Scientology		Remini: Scientology		Remini: Scientology (N)		Remini: Scientology (N)		The Murder of Laci Peterson "The Verdict" (N)		(35) L. Remini	
47	TLC	OutDaughtered		OutDaughtered		OutD. "Mother's Day Getaway" (N)		OutDaughtered (N)		(05) Rattled (N)		OutDaughtered	
48	DISC	Manhunt: Unabomber		Manhunt: Unabomber "Abri"		Manhunt: Unabomber "Ted"		Manhunt: Unabomber (N)		Manhunt: Unabomber (N)		Manhunt: Unabomber	
49	NGEO	Battle "Booby Traps & Poppy Fields"		Restrepo: Afghanistan. Follow a platoon of American soldiers on deployment.		*** Law Abiding Citizen ('09, Cri)	Gerard Butler, Colm Meaney, Jamie Foxx.	*** Armageddon (1998, Adventure)	Liv Tyler, Ben Affleck, Bruce Willis.	Hell on Earth Syria's descent led to the rise of the Islamic State.		Hell on Earth	
50	TNT	(5:00) *** Blade: Trinity (2004, Thriller)	Jessica Biel, Ryan Reynolds, Wesley Snipes.			*** Law Abiding Citizen ('09, Cri)	Gerard Butler, Colm Meaney, Jamie Foxx.	*** Armageddon (1998, Adventure)	Liv Tyler, Ben Affleck, Bruce Willis.	Hell on Earth Syria's descent led to the rise of the Islamic State.		Hell on Earth	
51	AMC	(5:1) *** Rambo (2008, Action)	Julie Benz, Matthew Marsden, Sylvester Stallone.			*** Armageddon (1998, Adventure)	Liv Tyler, Ben Affleck, Bruce Willis.			*** Blade: Trinity (2004, Thriller)	Jessica Biel, Ryan Reynolds, Wesley Snipes.	Chappelle ('15, Act)	
52	USA	Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows	WWE Super Smackdown		Chrisley Knows (N)	According Chrisley	(05) Modern Fam	(35) Modern Fam		
53	FOOD	Chopped		Chopped		Chopped "An Egg Up"		Chopped "Brunch Battle"		Chopped "Waffles for the Win" (N)		Chopped After (N)	Chopped After
54	HGTV	Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		House Hunters (N)	House Hunters (N)	House Hunters	House Hunters
56	FX	Movie	Transformers: Age of Extinction (2014, Action)	Nicola Peltz, Jack Reynor, Mark Wahlberg.						Cult "Don't Be Afraid of the Dark" (N)		Cult "Don't Be Afraid of the Dark"	
57	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		Anderson Cooper 360		Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon	
58	FNC	The Five		Hannity		Tucker Carlson Tonight		The Five		Hannity		Tucker Carlson Tonight	
61	CNBC	Shark Tank		Rich Guide (N)	Shark Tank	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Filthy Rich Guide		Paid Program	
63	BRAV	Below Deck "Dirty Laundry"		Below Deck "Loose Lips Sink Ships"		Below Deck		Below Deck (N)		A Night With (N)	Vander-JaxBritt	WatchWhat (N)	Below Deck
64	TCM	Movie	(4:45) *** We Were Strangers ('49) John Garfield, Jennifer Jones.			(4:45) *** Madame Bovary (1949, Romance)	James Mason, Van Heflin, Jennifer Jones.			GameFace "Stone Cold Superheroes" (N)	*** 300 (2006, Epic)	Lena Headey, Dominic West, Gerard Butler.	
65	SYFY	(5:00) Lake Placid ('99, Act)	Bill Pullman.	(5:55) *** Lake Placid 2 (2007, Horror)	Sam McMurray, Sarah Laffeur, Cloris Leachman.			GameFace "Stone Cold Superheroes" (N)	*** 300 (2006, Epic)	Lena Headey, Dominic West, Gerard Butler.			
69	RFD	(5:30) Cattlemen	Chasing-Madison	Horseman. "Getting the Right Footing"		Chris Cox	Rural Eve. News	Ag PhD		Cattlemen to Cattlemen		Chasing-Madison	Product Showcase