Former Woodburn cop gets 5 months in jail for sexually abusing child

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Daniel Kerbs

A Woodburn police officer who <u>quit his job after admitting to sexually</u> <u>abusing a child</u> was sentenced Wednesday to five months in jail.

Washington County Circuit Judge D. Charles Bailey ordered Daniel Kerbs,

29, to also serve five years of probation, to have no contact with the female victim, and to register as a sex offender, as well as other restrictions. He pleaded guilty in March to first-degree online sexual corruption of a child and second-degree sexual abuse.

According to Tigard police, an 18-year-old contacted the agency last summer reporting she'd been abused by Kerbs in Tigard years earlier. Kerbs was a family friend, police said.

An indictment in the case said the abuse occurred between September 2013 and November 2014, and it included Kerbs soliciting the girl online for sex and taking steps to meet her.

Kerbs was placed on paid leave from the Woodburn Police Department in July, arrested the next day at the department after a three-week investigation and posted bail the day after that. The city said he began unpaid leave in August.

Kerbs resigned as a patrol officer from the Woodburn Police Department in March. Kerbs had worked for the agency since January 2015.

He worked as a corrections officers at the Santiam Correctional Institution and the Coffee Creek Correctional Facility in 2014 before joining the police agency, state records show.

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