

AO 257 (Rev. 6/78)

**DEFENDANT INFORMATION RELATIVE TO A CRIMINAL ACTION - IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT**

BY:  COMPLAINT  INFORMATION  INDICTMENT  
 SUPERSEDING

**OFFENSE CHARGED**

18 U.S.C. § 2243(b)- Sexual Abuse of a Ward

- Petty
- Minor
- Misdemeanor
- Felony

PENALTY: 15 years imprisonment  
 \$250,000 fine  
 3 years supervised release  
 \$100 special assessment

Name of District Court, and/or Judge/Magistrate Location

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

OAKLAND DIVISION

**FILED**

DEFENDANT - U.S.

FEB 17 2022

▶ John Russell Bellhouse

CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT  
 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

DISTRICT COURT NUMBER

**CR 22 066**

**JST**

**PROCEEDING**

Name of Complainant Agency, or Person (& Title, if any)

DOJ OIG

person is awaiting trial in another Federal or State Court, give name of court

this person/proceeding is transferred from another district per (circle one) FRCP 20, 21, or 40. Show District

this is a re prosecution of charges previously dismissed which were dismissed on motion of:

U.S. ATTORNEY  DEFENSE

SHOW DOCKET NO.

this prosecution relates to a pending case involving this same defendant

MAGISTRATE CASE NO.

prior proceedings or appearance(s) before U.S. Magistrate regarding this defendant were recorded under

4:21-MJ-71905

Name and Office of Person

Furnishing Information on this form STEPHANIE M. HINDS

U.S. Attorney  Other U.S. Agency

Name of Assistant U.S. Attorney (if assigned)

MOLLY K. PRIEDEMAN

**DEFENDANT**

**IS NOT IN CUSTODY**

Has not been arrested, pending outcome this proceeding.

- 1)  If not detained give date any prior summons was served on above charges
- 2)  Is a Fugitive
- 3)  Is on Bail or Release from (show District)

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**IS IN CUSTODY**

- 4)  On this charge
- 5)  On another conviction }  Federal  State
- 6)  Awaiting trial on other charges

If answer to (6) is "Yes", show name of institution

Has detainer been filed?  Yes  No

} If "Yes" give date filed

DATE OF ARREST

Month/Day/Year

Or... if Arresting Agency & Warrant were not

DATE TRANSFERRED TO U.S. CUSTODY

Month/Day/Year

This report amends AO 257 previously submitted

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS**

**PROCESS:**

SUMMONS  NO PROCESS\*  WARRANT

Bail Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

If Summons, complete following:

Arraignment  Initial Appearance

\* Where defendant previously apprehended on complaint, no new summons or warrant needed, since Magistrate has scheduled arraignment

Defendant Address:

Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Before Judge: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

# United States District Court

FOR THE  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

VENUE: OAKLAND

**FILED**

FEB 17 2022

CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

v.

JOHN RUSSELL BELLHOUSE,

CR 22 0667

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DEFENDANT(S).

## INDICTMENT

18 U.S.C. § 2243(b)- Sexual Abuse of a Ward

A true bill.

/s/ *Foreperson of the Grand Jury - Roy Alpen*  
Foreman

Filed in open court this 17th day of

February, 2022

*William Talbot*  
*Kandis Westmore* Clerk

Bail, \$ No Process

KANDIS A. WESTMORE, U.S. Magistrate Judge

1 STEPHANIE M. HINDS (CABN 154284)  
United States Attorney

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11 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

12 Plaintiff,

13 v.

14 JOHN RUSSELL BELLHOUSE,

15 Defendant.

) CASE NO.

**CR 22 066**

) VIOLATION:

) 18 U.S.C. § 2243(b) – Sexual Abuse of a Ward

) OAKLAND VENUE

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18 INDICTMENT

19 The Grand Jury charges, that at all times relevant to this Indictment:

20 Introductory Allegations

21 1. The Federal Correctional Institution, Dublin (“FCI Dublin”) was a federal prison in  
22 Alameda County, California, within the Northern District of California.

23 2. The defendant JOHN RUSSELL BELLHOUSE (“BELLHOUSE”) was employed at FCI-  
24 Dublin as a correctional officer.

25 3. Victim 1, an individual known to the Grand Jury, was an inmate at FCI Dublin, under the  
26 custodial, supervisory, and disciplinary authority of the defendant.

27 4. The term “sexual act” meant, among other things, contact between the mouth and the  
28 penis. 18 U.S.C. § 2246(2)(B).

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**COUNT ONE**  
(Sexual Abuse of a Ward)

5. On a date between approximately February 2020 and October 2020, in the Northern District of California, the defendant

JOHN RUSSELL BELLHOUSE

knowingly engaged in a sexual act with Victim 1; to wit, there was contact between his penis and Victim 1's mouth, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2243(b).

DATED: February 17, 2022

A TRUE BILL.

/s/ Foreperson of the Grand Jury- Roy Alper  
FOREPERSON

STEPHANIE M. HINDS  
United States Attorney

/s/ Molly K. Priedeman  
MOLLY K. PRIEDEMAN  
Assistant United States Attorney