



Commission Resources for:

Sex Offenses



Primers

Sexual Abuse and Failure to Register Offenses

This primer provides a general overview of the statutes, sentencing guidelines, and case law regarding the application of the criminal sexual abuse and sex offender registration guidelines, §§2A3.1 (Criminal Sexual Abuse; Attempt), 2A3.2 (Criminal Sexual Abuse of a Minor; Attempt), 2A3.3 (Criminal Sexual Abuse of a Ward; Attempt), 2A3.4 (Abusive Sexual Contact; Attempt), 2A3.5 (Failure to Register as a Sex Offender), and 2A3.6 (Aggravated Offenses Relating to Registration as a Sex Offender). Although the primer identifies some of the key cases and concepts, it is not a comprehensive compilation of authority nor intended to be a substitute for independent research and analysis of primary sources.

Commercial Sex Acts and Sexual Abuse of a Minor

This primer provides a general overview of the statutes, sentencing guidelines, and case law regarding commercial sex acts and the sexual exploitation of minors. Although the primer identifies some of the key cases and concepts, it is not a comprehensive compilation of authority nor intended to be a substitute for independent research and analysis of primary sources.



Podcasts

Episode 3: Relevant Conduct Principles in Child Pornography Offenses

n child pornography offenses, there are different relevant conduct principles depending on the offense of conviction. This podcast will review how relevant conduct operates for these offenses.

Episode 6: Grouping in Child Pornography Production Cases

This podcast will review grouping principles for multiple counts of production of child pornography offenses.

Episode 11: More Grouping in Child Pornography Production Cases

Can you group counts involving the same victim? Using the Multiple Counts Decision Tree, we will discuss how multiple counts involving the same victim will group.

Episode 23, Part 1: Relevant Conduct in Sex Offenses and Other Crimes Against the Person

Do you know how to apply the Special Instruction at §2G2.1? Have you ever had a question about what constitutes a “stipulation” for purposes of §1B1.2? Tune in to find out about pitfalls you may face in these types of situations.



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Reports

Federal Sentencing of Child Pornography: Production Offenses

This report provides insight into how offenders exploit victims and technology to produce child pornography and the factors courts consider in fashioning sentences for these offenses.

Federal Sentencing of Child Pornography: Non-Production Offenses

This report updates and expands upon the Commission's 2012 Report to the Congress: Federal Child Pornography Offenses. In this report, the Commission provides data from fiscal year 2019 regarding: content, involvement with others, and offense conduct.

