

Community Notification

Sex and Kidnapping Offender Registration Public Information

Secondary Dissemination of This Information is Controlled by RCW 4.24.550

Risk to re-offend: Level III - High Risk; Level II - Moderate Risk; Level I - Low Risk

Info Released by the
Cowlitz County Sheriff



Offender Information

JAMES, LESTER JIM

I M 506 190 BLK BRO Age 35

FTR ,

Address Date: 1/4/2012

Registration Information

8/26/2011 11-10865

Community Risk

Level I

01/30/91 LEWIS CO.

RAPE 2



According to official documents on 03/27/1991 in Lewis County Superior Court Juvenile Division Lester Jim James pled guilty to Rape 2nd Degree. Mr. James had sexual contact with a 12yo male victim. Mr. James who shared the same room as the victim would get into the victims bed and sexually assault the victim by having oral and anal sex with the victim. Mr. James has 3 convictions for Failure to Register and a 2007 Conviction for Felony Custodial Assault. Mr. James has participated in Sex Offender Treatment but has never completed it.

The Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office is releasing this information pursuant to RCW 4.24.550 and the Washington State Supreme Court decision State v. Ward, which authorizes law enforcement agencies to inform the public of a sex offender release when, at the discretion of the Agency and the Risk Assessment Committee, the information will enhance public safety and protection. The sex offender listed has served the sentence imposed by the courts and has advised the Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office of their address. This Registered Offender is not wanted at this time. This notification is not intended to increase fear; rather it is our belief that an informed public is a safer public. Law enforcement agencies have no legal authority to direct where a sex offender may or may not live. Unless court ordered restrictions exist, this offender is constitutionally free to live anywhere. Citizen abuse of this information to threaten or harass registered sex offenders will not be tolerated. Such abuse could potentially end law enforcement's ability to do community notifications. The Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office can provide useful information on personal safety. If you have information regarding current criminal activity of this or any other offender, please call our office at 360-577-3092. You can find additional information about registered sex offenders at the Sheriff's web site www.co.cowlitz.wa.us/sheriff/rso/

SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR SELF-PROTECTION:

1. You and your children should be continually aware of who is around you. If they are unfamiliar to you, don't put yourself in jeopardy.
2. Be aware of where your children are. Try to establish a time share child watching effort for children playing in the neighborhood.
3. Establish neighborhood safe havens for children as well as adults.
4. Urge your children to play in the area of other children, and caution them to not go anywhere with strangers.
5. Plan methods of escape, routes of escape and methods of self protection

More: www.co.cowlitz.wa.us/sheriff/rso/