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## **Investigation of probe against local citizen accused of number of crimes including murder of girl in 2011 completed in Sverdlovsk Region**



The Sverdlovsk Regional Office of the Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation completed investigation of a probe against a 48-year-old Yekaterinburg citizen. He is accused of committing: threat of murder (Article 119 of the Criminal Code of Russia); two rapes (Article 131 of the Criminal Code of Russia); two episodes of violent sexual actions (Article 132 of the Criminal Code of Russia); one theft (Article 158 of the Criminal Code of Russia); and one murder committed with especial cruelty, with the purpose of concealing another crime and attended by rape (Paragraphs D and J of Part 2 of Article 105 of the Criminal Code of Russia).

The investigation stated that he had committed the first of the alleged crimes in 1999-2000 against a familiar woman born in 1976. In April, 2001, he had committed a rape and violent sexual actions

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against the same victim. In June, 2008, the convict had committed a rape and violent sexual actions against a woman born in 1975 whom he had met shortly before. Additionally, the convict had stolen from the victim her personal belongings worth over 5,000 rubles. All listed crimes had been committed in Yekaterinburg.

Moreover, according to the investigation, on the night of September 18, 2011, in the school yard of school No. 57 of Yekaterinburg the convict had committed a rape of a 14-year-old schoolgirl he never had met before, and after that he had killed the victim with especial cruelty by stabbing her multiple times with his knife. The attacker had got away from the crime scene. In the morning, he had gone to a collective garden and then to the city of Nizhny Tagil to his acquaintances making up his alibi concerning his absence in Yekaterinburg at the moment of the murder.

Citizens reported to the police that they had found the body at about 8 and a half at the morning of September 18, 2011. For a few years, the investigators and forensics experts of the Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation along with local and municipal criminal investigators were doing their best to solve the violent crime and find a suspect. In particular, about 4,000 people had been interviewed and over 500 of expert examinations (including forensic, DNA, information analysis, and chemical) had been carried out during the investigation. The investigators had also conducted search and other procedures aiming at solving the girl's murder.

As a result of the systematic and tedious work of investigators and case officers, on May 10, 2017, the suspect was identified and detained. The burden of evidence forced the man to plead guilty and sign a voluntary surrender and confession. Forensics specialists carried out a psychophysiological examination using a polygraph machine that also proved the man was involved in the murder of a minor victim. One of the significant pieces of evidence was a DNA match between the convict and biological materials obtained during examining of the crime scene and from the body of the murdered girl.

During the investigation, the investigators of the Investigative Committee also managed to establish a number of other criminal episodes connected to the convict, and to gather the full evidence base for them despite a significant time lag since the time of committing of the alleged crimes.

The investigators gathered a sufficient evidence base, therefore, the probe was forwarded for confirmation of the indictment and referred to the court afterwards to be tried on the merits.

It must be noted that the investigation of this probe was specially controlled by the Chairman of the Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation.

## **Изображения**



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