

Wright County Sheriff's Office

FACT SHEET

NOTIFICATION OF RELEASE IN MINNESOTA

RISK LEVEL THREE

In addition to level two notification (schools and daycares as well as establishments and organizations that primarily serve individuals likely to be victimized by the offender), law enforcement may notify other members of the community whom the offender is likely to encounter.

The *Wright County Sheriff's Office* is available to provide you with useful information on personal safety. The *Wright County Sheriff's Office* may be reached at (763) 682-7600. To report criminal activity by this offender or any other individual, please call 911.

HERBERT STANLEY WARD

DOB: 07/02/1947

OID: 226639

Race: White	Hispanic: No
Height: 5' 9"	Eyes: Hazel
Weight: 260	Hair: Gray
Complexion: Fair	Build: Large

Registration statute(s): 609.342 & 609.343

Investigating agency: Wright County Sheriff's Office

Release date: 01/03/2012

Supervision agent: Lance Culliver at 866-396-9952

Offender engaged in sexual contact with a 6 year-old female victim. The contact included fondling and penetration. Offender was known to victim.

Offender has a prior history of sexual contact with adult female strangers, involving grabbing them and removing articles of clothing. Offender also has a prior history of sexual contact with a 4 year-old female and a 14 year-old female. Contact included penetration. Offender was known to victims.

Address: 2900 block of County Road 37, rural Monticello, MN 55362

Date of address change: 01/03/2012



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The *Wright County Sheriff's Office* is releasing this information pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 244.052. This statute authorizes law enforcement agencies to inform the public of a sexual or predatory offender's release from prison or a secure treatment facility when the *Wright County Sheriff's Office* believes that the release of information will enhance public safety and protection.

The individual who appears on this notification has been convicted of Criminal Sexual Conduct or another offense that requires registration with law enforcement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 243.166 or 243.167.

This offender is *not wanted by the police* at this time and *has served the sentence* imposed on him/her by the court. This notification is not intended to increase fear in the community. Law enforcement believes that an informed public is a safer public.

The *Wright County Sheriff's Office*, the supervising release agent, and the Minnesota Department of Corrections may NOT direct where the offender does or does not reside, nor can these agencies direct where he/she works or goes to school. The risk level of this offender has been determined based largely on his/her potential to re-offend based on his/her previous criminal behavior.

Convicted sexual and predatory offenders have always been released to live in our communities. It was not until the passage of the Registration Act that law enforcement had an ability track the movement of these offenders after their initial release. With the passage of the Community Notification Act law enforcement may now share information about many of these offenders with the public. Abuse of this information to threaten, harass or intimidate a registered offender is unacceptable and such acts could be charged as a crime. Such abuses could potentially end the ability of law enforcement to provide these notifications. If community notification ends the only person who wins is the offender. Many of these offenders derive their power from the opportunity that secrecy provides.