

**INVESTIGATION DISCOVERY ANNOUNCES ARREST OF ALLEGED SEXUAL PREDATOR
THANKS TO A VIEWER TIP FROM “IN PURSUIT WITH JOHN WALSH”**

-- Featured on IN PURSUIT, William Stanson is the 12th Fugitive Captured --

(Silver Spring, Md.)—In conjunction with the Michigan State Police and the FBI, Investigation Discovery is proud to announce the capture of alleged sexual predator, William Stanson, who was profiled on the January 29 episode of **IN PURSUIT WITH JOHN WALSH**. Thanks to a phone tip from a brave viewer of **IN PURSUIT** into our hotline, William Troy Stanson was spotted in Mexico where the local authorities arrested him. As of today, February 5, Stanson was extradited to the United States and will be brought to Berrien County, Michigan, where he is expected to face charges of unlawful flight to avoid prosecution, criminal sexual conduct in the first degree, and failure to appear for sentencing on the original charge of accosting a minor.

After multiple young teens came forward to allege that their friend’s father, William Stanson, molested them at a party in 2015, police had no idea this was just the tip of the iceberg. Their investigation revealed that Stanson’s own daughter, Kayla, had been his victim for over a decade – but, before he faced justice for the abuse of Kayla, Stanson went on the run.

“Stanson marks the 12th fugitive featured on **IN PURSUIT WITH JOHN WALSH** to now be in custody, and we are thrilled that our ID audience has helped lead to the arrest William Stanson, hopefully closing a dark chapter for his victims,” said Henry Schleiff, Group President, Investigation Discovery, Travel Channel, American Heroes Channel and Destination America. “I am so proud of our viewers for taking a stand to actively engage in the justice system, and we remain committed to the profound work that John and Callahan Walsh do on this series, which helps bring answers and closure to so many families.”

Suspecting some fugitives have fled the country, **IN PURSUIT WITH JOHN WALSH** is broadcast globally across 128 countries/territories with Investigation Discovery’s worldwide reach as part of Discovery, Inc. **IN PURSUIT WITH JOHN WALSH** airs domestically on *Wednesdays at 10/9c* on **Investigation Discovery**.

ABOUT IN PURSUIT WITH JOHN WALSH

With 12 featured fugitives from **IN PURSUIT WITH JOHN WALSH** now in custody and with one missing child recovered, Investigation Discovery and victims’ rights advocate John Walsh team up weekly to hunt down persons of interest and find missing children with **IN PURSUIT WITH JOHN WALSH**. Every *Wednesday at 10/9c*, John Walsh and his son, Callahan Walsh, introduce ID’s active and engaged audience to unsolved violent crimes that urgently need to be closed. **IN PURSUIT** relies on leads from ID’s viewers who may have seen something that would help authorities, with all calls and online tips vetted by experts and followed up on by the appropriate authorities, including local law enforcement, FBI, and the U.S. Marshals. In partnership with the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC), the series also features two missing children each hour, providing age-progression photos (when possible) and descriptions in the hopes that viewers can provide new leads to their whereabouts.

An active call center accepting phone calls and text messages operates at **1-833-3-PURSUE**, and dedicated online hub at InPursuitTips.com are staffed by trained English and Spanish-speaking operators, who accept anonymous tips and alert the proper authorities.

To engage with the show, viewers are encouraged to connect using **#TeamInPursuit**, join the **IN PURSUIT WITH JOHN WALSH** Facebook page at [Facebook.com/InPursuitwithJohnWalsh](https://www.facebook.com/InPursuitwithJohnWalsh), and

connect on Instagram [@InvestigationDiscovery](#) or Twitter [@DiscoveryID](#). Additionally, for anyone looking to share news about cases, ID has created a community to connect with one another at [Facebook.com/MissingandWanted](#).

IN PURSUIT WITH JOHN WALSH is produced for Investigation Discovery by Jupiter Entertainment. For Jupiter, Harrison Land, Stephen Land, and Gregory Palmer are executive producers. For ID, Lorna Thomas is senior executive producer, Sara Kozak is senior vice president of production, Kevin Bennett is general manager, and Henry Schleiff is Group President of Investigation Discovery, Travel Channel, American Heroes Channel and Destination America.

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