

Coppermine man convicted of seven counts of aggravated sexual abuse of a child

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PHOENIX – Bo Lane, 36, of Coppermine, Ariz., was found guilty of seven counts of aggravated sexual abuse of a child by a federal jury in Flagstaff, Ariz. on June 14. The case was tried before Chief U.S. District Judge G. Murray Snow. Lane will be sentenced on Sept. 3.

The evidence at trial showed that between 2013 and 2017, Lane sexually abused two minor victims. The abuse started when the victims were six years old and took place on the Navajo Indian Reservation. Both Lane and the victims are members of the Navajo Nation.

Each conviction for aggravated sexual abuse of a child carries a mandatory minimum penalty of 30 years in prison, a maximum penalty of life in prison, and a \$250,000 fine or both.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Navajo Nation Police Department. The prosecution was handled by Assistant U.S. Attorneys Christina J. Reid-Moore and Dimitra H. Sampson, District of Arizona, Phoenix.