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OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON**

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STATE OF WASHINGTON

Respondent

v.

RICHARD ELLIOT CAIN,

Petitioner

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**Petition for Review**

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A. IDENTITY OF PETITIONER

Petitioner Richard E. Cain, the appellant below, asks this Court to review the following Court of Appeals decision.

B. COURT OF APPEALS DECISION

Petitioner seeks review of Divisions Three's decision in *State v. Cain*, No. 34417-7-III (March 8, 2018). That opinion is attached hereto as Appendix A.

C. ISSUES PRESENTED FOR REVIEW

- a. Whether the trial court erred in failing to give the jury a limiting instruction after permitting character and propensity evidence to be introduced at trial under ER 404(b) and ER 403 when an instruction was both requested and proposed by the defense?
- b. Whether the trial court erred in finding the search warrant severable, and if so, whether Mr. Cain suffered prejudice?

D. STATEMENT OF THE CASE

Richard Cain was charged by amended information with First Degree Rape of a Child and First Degree Child Molestation – with the position of trust aggravator included. Clerk's Papers (CP) at 7-8. The charges arose from allegations that Mr. Cain had sexually abused the daughter of a former girlfriend with whom he had a child in common.

The alleged victim, D.G., did not report the abuse to her mother until well after the events had taken place, which she alleged took place throughout many residences over a number of years. Verbatim Report of Proceedings (VRP) at 734-769, 823-825. The police investigation included a forensic interview, physical examination of D.G., and the execution of a search warrant. VRP at 88-101, 538 *et seq.*, 620-23, 661. The affidavit for the search warrant substantially relied upon information obtained from the forensic interview. VRP at CP at 31-43. Specifically, the warrant sought:

- (1) Photographs of the residence and bedroom of Richard Elliot Cain (6/11/65);
- (2) Rope, Scarves, Ties or any other device that can be used for binding;
- (3) All VHS, 8mm, photographs, electronic storage devices to include but not limited to computers hard drives CD's, floppy disks, diskettes, iPods, cell phones w/camera features, and flash drives that could be used to store any depictions of child pornography;
- (4) Documents of dominion.

CP at 32.

In executing the search warrant, law enforcement officials discovered a video of Mr. Cain and D.G.'s mother engaged in sexual bondage. VRP at 88-100. The officers also found substantial evidence of a marijuana operation, and, after one hour of searching the premises, withdrew to request a telephonic amendment to the warrant, which was granted. *Id.*; CP at 32. Pertinently, the officers seized documents related

to Mr. Cain's ownership of the house, took a great many photographs of the house and bedroom, including so-called "sex kits" with bondage equipment discovered in various storage areas, and also seized a great deal of evidence related to marijuana. VRP at 88-100, 101-114.

Mr. Cain stood trial in March of 2013, and June of 2014. Both ended in a mistrial, took place in front of the same judge, and had the same prosecutor, Anita Petra. VRP at 178, 197. For his third trial, Mr. Cain was represented by David Marshall and Aimee Sutton.

Pretrial, the court ruled portions of the warrant invalid, and suppressed evidence related to the video seized, as well as any evidence related to marijuana. VRP at 101-114. During further pretrial matters, the defense sought to suppress evidence arising from the search warrant, arguing that the warrant was not severable. CP at 101, VRP at 101-114. The trial court disagreed, though it did acknowledge that there may have been a general search of Mr. Cain's premises. VRP at 114. The photographs pertaining to bondage equipment were admitted during trial and relied upon by the State in its closing. VRP at 638-648, 1091.

During a mid-trial conference, the parties and the court discussed jury instructions, and the defense requested a limiting instruction regarding this ER 404(b) information. That instruction has been attached hereto as "Appendix B." The Court reserved on the question because the State

wished for more time to review the matter, though it indicated it did not really object to the instruction. VRP at 1036-38.

Once testimony had finished, the parties further discussed the jury instructions with the court. The record, is silent regarding Defense Instruction No. 5. See VRP at 1054-1068. However, when actually instructing the jury, the Court paused after the first instruction, and had the following sidebar with counsel:

THE COURT: I just -- as I was reading, I noticed that I did not give the instruction on the limited value --

MR. MARSHALL: Oh.

THE COURT: -- of the evidence --

MR. MARSHALL: Yes, right.

THE COURT: -- of abuse or neglect, and that was intentional on my part. I don't believe that evidence is so limited -- I don't think it was limited to credibility. It was more offered to explain why the alleged victim did not raise her complaints, and I'm sorry, but I wanted to bring you at side bar so that nobody guessed about that later on and give you some time to think now as I read the instructions about how you might do your closings.

MS. PETRA: Right.

MR. MARSHALL: Sure. Your Honor, I will take exception to the Court's not giving that instruction.

THE COURT: He just took exception.

MS. PETRA: Okay.

(Whereupon the brief side-bar conference had on the record outside the presence of the jury was concluded.)

THE COURT: Thank you for your patience. The Court made a slight error, and I wanted to bring that to their attention in a timely manner.



VRP at 1073-74. After closing arguments, the Court dismissed the jury to lunch, and then deliberation. VRP at 1137. After the jury was dismissed, the following colloquy took place:

MR. MARSHALL: All right. I do want to amplify my exception to the Court's not giving the limiting instruction that we had proposed, the instruction that the jury not consider evidence of physical or emotional abuse by Mr. Cain except as it bore on credibility of the State's witnesses. We object to the Court's refusal to give that instruction on the basis that it violates Mr. Cain's rights to due process of law under the State and federal constitutions and, to make sure the record is completely clear on this, I will now ask the Court to give that as a supplemental instruction since I'm doing this because I didn't take the exception before the Court gave the initial packet of instructions.

THE COURT: All right. I want the record to reflect, and then I'm gonna ask Ms. Petra to respond, that I don't believe your exception is untimely because I did take the step of trying to point out to you differences between the instructions I actually gave and what had been presented, and I left that one out

MR. MARSHALL: Okay.

THE COURT: And so I did not alert you to that, and I wanted the record to reflect that. Ms. Petra?

MS. PETRA: No further argument.

THE COURT: Okay. Well, the case has now been argued without that instruction. I think it would be clear error to give the instruction at this point in time, and, besides, I did not give it because, as I stated earlier, I believe that evidence was probative on more than just the credibility of [D.G.]. It was probative on the question of why she delayed in reporting.

VRP at 1138-1140.

Ultimately, the jury found Mr. Cain not guilty of First Degree Rape of a Child, and guilty of First Degree Child Molestation. CP at 549, 551.

The jury also found that Mr. Cain violated a position of trust in committing the molestation offense. CP at 589. Mr. Cain was sentenced within the standard range, and he timely appealed. CP at 573-90, 594.

The Court of Appeals affirmed the trial court's decision to sever the search warrant, and likewise affirmed the court's decision not to provide a limiting instruction. This petition timely followed.

#### E. ARGUMENT WHY REVIEW SHOULD BE ACCEPTED

The considerations which govern the decision to grant review are set forth in RAP 13.4(b). Petitioner believes that this Court should accept review of these issues because the decision of the Court of Appeals is in manifest conflict with other decisions of this Court. RAP 13.4(b)(1).

1. The trial court erred in refusing to provide the defense limiting instruction regarding prior acts, and in so doing, violated Mr. Cain's constitutional right to a fair trial by permitting the jury to contemplate evidence for propensity purposes. Division III likewise erred in affirming this decision contrary to binding precedent.

Evidence rule (ER) 404(b) generally prohibits evidence of prior acts in order to demonstrate a defendant's propensity to commit the charged offense(s). *State v. Holmes*, 43 Wn. App. 397, 400, 717 P.2d 766 (stating "once a thief always a thief" is not a valid basis upon which to admit evidence), *review denied*, 106 Wn.2d 1003 (1986). However, such acts are admissible for other purposes, such as "proof of motive, opportunity, intent, preparation, plan, knowledge, identity or absence of mistake or accident."

ER 404(b). These permitted exceptions to the general rule are not exclusive, and therefore the trial court has discretion to permit such evidence for other purposes. *State v. Kidd*, 36 Wn. App. 503, 505, 674 P.2d 674 (1983).

Evidence submitted pursuant to ER 404(b) must however, be viewed in conjunction ER 403 in order to ensure that the probative value of such evidence is not substantially outweighed by its prejudicial effect upon the jury. *State v. Cook*, 131 Wn. App. 845, 850, 129 P.3d 835 (2006). A trial court's decision in this regard is reviewed by this Court for an abuse of discretion. *State v. Womac*, 130 Wn. App. 450, 456, 23 P.3d 528 (2005). A trial court abuses its evidentiary discretion where it fails to abide by the requirements of the applicable rules. *State v. Fisher*, 165 Wn.2d 727, 745, 202 P.3d 937 (2009). Certainly, a failure to abide by the rules also meets the oft-used expression that a trial court abuses its discretion where its decision is manifestly unreasonable, or is not based upon tenable grounds or reasons. *State v. Stenson*, 132 Wn.2d 668, 701, 940 P.2d 1239 (1997).

Amongst the myriad of reasons to include prior acts is where the State seeks to rebut a defense contention that the delay in a victim's reporting sexual abuse impacts victim credibility. *E.g.*, *Cook*, 165 Wn.2d at 851-52; *State v. Nelson*, 131 Wn. App. 108, 116, 125 P.3d 1008 (2006); Most often, this is expressed as going to the mindset of the alleged victim, particularly in explaining a delay reporting the abuse. *Fisher*, 165 Wn.2d

at 744-45 (citing *Nelson*, 131 Wn. App. at 116); *State v. Ashley*, 186 Wn.2d 32, 44, 375 P.3d 673 (2016) (citing *Fischer*, 165 Wn.2d at 744-45).

However, where such ER 404(b) information is admitted, it has been the long-standing rule in Washington that “the court should state to the jury whatever it determines is the purpose (or purposes) for which the evidence is admissible; and it should shall be the court’s duty to give the cautionary instruction that such evidence is to be considered for no other purpose or purposes.” *State v. Goebel*, 36 Wn.2d 367, 379, 218 P.2d 300 (1950). This rule was recently enhanced by this Court who stated that, in the context of ER 404(b), once a defendant requests a limiting instruction, the trial court has a *duty* to correctly instruct the jury regardless of whether the proffered instruction is a correct statement of the law. *State v. Gresham*, 173 Wn.2d 405, 424-25, 268 P.3d 207 (2012). Crucially, the instruction must inform the jury that the evidence is to be used only for the proper purpose for which it was admitted; it may not be used to prove the character of a person in order to show that the person acted in conformity with that character. *State v. Saltarelli*, 98 Wn.2d 358, 362, 655 P.2d 697 (1982).

Despite a trial court’s duty to correctly instruct the jury regarding ER 404(b) evidence, the omission of such an instruction can nonetheless constitute harmless error. *Id.* at 425. Error is harmless “unless, within reasonable probabilities, had the error not occurred, the outcome of the trial

would have been materially affected.” *Id.* (quoting *State v. Cunningham*, 93 Wn.2d 823, 831, 613 P.2d 1139 (1980)).

In the case at bar substantial ER 404(b) testimony was sought by State and inquired into by the defense regarding prior actions of Mr. Cain purporting to influence D.G.’s failure to timely report his alleged sexual abuse, and the children’s fear of him. Briefly summarized, the information adduced regarded various occasions when Mr. Cain would discipline the children with force, require the children to pick up rocks in a certain manner, yell abuses at the children, threaten D.G. not to say anything that would put him in jail, shot a rabbit in front of D.G., his ownership and display of many firearms, and D.G.’s oft-repeated account that she was fearful of him. VRP at 713, 729-30, 734, 765-66, 769, 781-83, 806-7, 809-10, 823-25, 829-30.

The record makes abundantly plain that the parties both contemplated the admission of this evidence. In particular, the defense submitted a proposed instruction specifically to limit the use of such information – a limitation expressly conveyed in pretrial matters. CP at 504; VRP at 226-28. Moreover, during a colloquy on instructions, the defense reaffirmed its desire for the instruction upon court inquiry, and the state indicated that it did not object to the motion but wanted to further research the matter to be certain of its position. VRP at 1036-38.

The matter was not raised in subsequent instructions discussions, and was next discussed at sidebar while the jury was empaneled for purposes of receiving court instructions. However, in that discussion, the trial court simply gave notice to the defense that it had *sua sponte* removed the instruction because it did not feel it was accurate, the evidence being offered to explain why the victim did not promptly disclose the abuse, rather than just for purposes of credibility. The defense promptly took exception to the decision. VRP at 1073-74.

While under *Cook, Fisher* and *Nelson*, the trial court was within its discretion to permit such evidence for purposes of explaining the delay in reporting the abuse, the court nevertheless abused its discretion in *sua sponte* declining to give a correct limiting instruction when requested to do so pursuant to the strict duty imposed by this Court in *Gresham*. 173 Wn.2d at 424-25. The failure to give the instruction was an abuse of discretion, and that error was not harmless.

As noted above, error is harmless “unless, within reasonable probabilities, had the error not occurred, the outcome of the trial would have been materially affected.” *Gresham*, 173 Wn.2d at 425. In *Gresham*, this Court considered the case of Mr. Gresham along with another case, *State v. Scherner*, which consisted of a similar fact pattern and challenge to RCW 10.58.090.

Mr. Gresham was charged with four counts of first degree child molestation, and was alleged to have occurred over the span of nearly five years. *Gresham*, 173 Wn.2d at 417-18. The victim did not reveal the molestation to her mother for approximately one year after the final incident had occurred, however the matter was not investigated until the victim disclosed the abuse to her counselor several years later. *Id.* at 418. Prior to trial, the court determined that the State had failed to demonstrate the admissibility of a previous molestation conviction under ER 404(b), though the court did allow the evidence under RCW 10.58.090. Mr. Gresham was convicted of three counts of molestation *and* one count of attempted first degree child molestation. *Id.* The Court of Appeals affirmed the conviction, and this Court granted review. *Id.*

In Mr. Scherner's case, he was charged with first degree rape of a child, and first degree child molestation. *Id.* at 414. Prior to trial, the superior court determined that evidence of prior sex offenses were admissible under RCW 10.58.090 and alternatively, ER 404(b) as a common scheme or plan. *Id.* at 415-16. The Court failed to give a limiting instruction although one was requested by the defense. *Id.* at 419-20.

At trial, in addition to the former sex offenses, the state introduced an audio recording that the victim in the charged offenses had made from a telephone call. In that call, Mr. Scherner did not deny the allegation or act

surprised; rather, he apologized for his actions. *Id.* at 416-17. The State also presented evidence that Mr. Scherner had sought to flee prosecution. Mr. Scherner was convicted of both crimes. *Id.* at 417.

On review, this Court concluded that RCW 10.58.090 was unconstitutional, and therefore ER 404(b) was the basis upon which admission of the prior sex acts must be viewed in each case. The court concluded that the trial courts erred in both cases by failing to give a limiting instruction. With regard to Mr. Scherner, the Court determined that the error was harmless. *Id.* at 419-20. In reaching that ruling, the Court looked to the “overwhelming” evidence of Mr. Scherner’s guilt – the testimony of the victim, his phone confession, his flight from prosecution, the jury’s opportunity to assess his credibility. Taken together, this Court concluded that there was no reasonable probability that the outcome would have been materially affected by elimination of the inference. *Id.* at 425.

Conversely, this Court found that in Mr. Gresham’s case, the error was not harmless. In reaching this determination, the Court looked to the fact that the evidence consisted of the victim’s testimony, and her parents’ corroboration that Mr. Gresham had the opportunity to commit the charged offenses, and the investigating officer’s testimony. There were no eyewitness accounts of the acts charged. *Id.*



The facts of this case are very different from those of Mr. Scherner, and align closely with those in Mr. Gresham's case. Here, as in Mr. Gresham's case, the only evidence of Mr. Cain's guilt comes directly from D.G., and her mother, who testified as to opportunity – there were no other eyewitnesses, no forensic evidence, no confession, and no flight evidence. Moreover, the State relied heavily upon the ER 404(b) domestic violence allegations in questioning Mr. Cain's credibility, and explaining D.G.'s reporting delay. *See* VRP at 1096-97, 1097-98, 1106. In so doing, the State essentially requested that the jury consider Mr. Cain's prior actions as propensity evidence with regard to his tendencies to be abusive to D.G. Accordingly, the State's manifest reliance upon the ER 404(b) testimony in explaining the reporting delay, and improperly discussing Mr. Cain's prior actions for purposes of showing conformity characteristics plainly required a limiting instruction. *Saltarelli*, 98 Wwn.2d at 362. After all, it is "in sex cases ... the prejudice potential of prior acts is at its highest." *Id.* at 363.

Unfortunately, the Court of Appeals, Division III expressly ignored the evidentiary treatment of this Court in *Cook*, *Fisher*, *Nelson*, *Ashley*, and *Gresham*, and instead determined that the prior acts evidence submitted to explain the alleged victim's delay in reporting was *not* ER 404(b) evidence. This departure from precedent requires this Court's review, as Division III's determination permitted it to then ignore this Court's decision in *Gresham*

and affirm the trial court's refusal to give a limiting instruction despite Mr. Cain's request. Given the highly prejudicial nature of the domestic violence allegations in a sex crime case, it cannot be said that the jury properly focused its attention on the appropriate use of the information when that use was never conveyed to it. This Court should therefore accept review of Mr. Cain's case given the manifest violation that has been affirmed by the Court of Appeals in contradiction to this Court's prior holdings.

2. The trial court erred in failing to suppress photographs of bondage evidence created as a result of the warrant because the warrant was not severable. Division III likewise erred in affirming contrary to binding precedent.

The Fourth Amendment provides that: "no warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized. U.S. Const. amend 4. The particularity requirement is specifically enshrined for purposes of avoiding the evil of the "general warrant." *Coolidge v. New Hampshire*, 403 U.S. 443, 467, 29 L. Ed. 2d 564, 91 S. Ct. 2022 (1971). Specifically, the evil is the "general, exploratory rummaging in a person's belongings," the goal being to "eliminate the danger of unlimited discretion in the executing officer's determination of what to seize. *State v. Perrone*, 19 Wn.2d 538, 546, 834 P.2d 611 (1992) (quoting *Anderson v. Maryland*, 427 U.S. 463, 480, 49 L. Ed.2d 627, 96 S. Ct. 2737

(1976)). Accordingly, warrants must “enable the searcher to reasonable ascertain and identify the things which are authorized to be seized. *Id.* (quoting *United States v. Cook*, 657 F.2d 730, 733 (5<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1981). Warrants are generally reviewed by this court *de novo*. Though generally challenged raised for the first time on appeal are not reviewable, an exception exists for claims of manifest error affecting a constitutional right. *State v. McFarland*, 127 Wn.2d 322-33, 899 P.2d 1251 (1995). The asserted error must actually prejudice the defendant. *Id.* Such is the case here.

The trial court below suppressed most fruits of the warrant, to wit: a video showing D.G.’s mother and Mr. Cain engaged in sexual bondage, evidence related to marijuana sought by the amended warrant, along with any and all electronic information found. VRP at 101-114. However, the court declined to suppress both photographs related evidence of bondage kits found in Mr. Cain’s bedroom and dominion documents on the theory that the warrant – which had already been found partially invalid – was severable. CP at 114. The trial court erred in so doing.

Under the severability doctrine, “Infirmity of a part of a warrant requires the suppression of evidence seized pursuant to that part of the warrant, but does not require suppression of anything seized pursuant to the valid parts of the warrant.” *Perrone*, 119 Wn.2d at 556 (quoting *United States v. Fitzgerald*, 725 F.2d 633, 637 (8<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1983), *cert. denied*, 466

U.S. 950, 80 L. Ed. 2d 538, 104 S. Ct. 2151 (1984)). The doctrine applies when a warrant includes both items supported by probable cause and detailed with particularity, and items not supported by probable cause or not described with particularity, and a meaningful separation can be made by “some logical and reasonable basis.” *Id.* 119 Wn.2d at 560.

The doctrine has five requirements which must be met. First, the warrant must lawfully have authorized entry into the premises. Second, the warrant must include at least one or more particularly described items for which there is probable cause. Third, the part of the warrant that includes particularly described items supported by probable cause must be significant when compared to the warrant as a whole. Fourth, the officers executing the warrant must have found and seized the disputed items while exercising the valid part of the warrant. Finally, the officers must not have conducted a general search. *State v. Maddox*, 116 Wn. App. 796, 807-09, 67 P.3d 1135 (2003). Here, the warrant was not severable, particularly as it failed to meet the third, fourth, and fifth elements of the doctrine.

#### *Third Element*

The third requirement – significance relative to the rest of the warrant – is not satisfied. In *State v. Higgs*, the Court of Appeals held that the question of significance turns upon the “primary purpose” of the warrant. 177 Wn. App. 414, 432-33, 311 P.3d 1266 (2013) (citing . The

court likewise noted that in that case before it, a meaningful consideration was whether the valid portions of the warrant authorized the broad search necessary to find the contraband sought to be suppressed. *Id.*

The portions of the warrant supported by probable cause – those portions seeking evidence of Mr. Cain’s dominion of the home, and photographs of the home and bedroom, and bondage materials, were not significant relative to the primary purpose of the warrant which was to obtain electronic evidence of the alleged crime, and later, to also obtain evidence of marijuana operations. CP at 31-32.

Moreover, the affidavit also made plain that law enforcement was aware at the time of its warrant application that the actual bondage materials specifically described by D.G. as used in the purported attacks were not in Mr. Cain’s possession or control, and so it was seeking merely “corroborative” propensity evidence. CP at 32-43. As such, the third prong fails, particularly in light of the invalidity of the substantive portion of the warrant that was rightly suppressed by the trial court – namely, those portions seeking electronic materials and controlled substance materials.

*Fourth Element*

The fourth requirement – that officers found and seized the disputed items while executing the valid part of the warrant – is simply unable to be determined in a logical way. That is because the invalid portions of the

warrant – for electronic storage devices - permitted a general search of Mr. Cain’s entire household. Division III found this element met because the location where the bondage materials were found was in a place they could be reasonable expected. Slip Op. at 24. This of course, overlooks the fact that while the materials may have been *found* there, law enforcement was able to search the entire premises prior to finding the authorized evidence pursuant to the improper portion of the warrant.

*Fifth Element*

The trial court properly suppressed the electronic storage device and marijuana portions of the warrant as too broad. However, the result of the initial overbreadth was that a general search was permitted. Indeed, it is manifest that the small size of illicit substances and electronic devices such as thumb drives can be hidden virtually anywhere. *See e.g., Higgs*, 177 Wn. App. At 433 (quoting *State v. Chambers*, 88 Wn. App. 640, 645, 945 P.2d 1172). This was impliedly acknowledged by the trial court. VRP at 114.

In finding the warrant severable, the trial court violated a basic tenant of the doctrine, which is that it must not be applied where doing so renders the particularly requirements meaningless. *Perrone*, 119 Wn.2d at 558. That is precisely what occurred here. Accordingly, all fruits therefrom should have been suppressed pursuant to *Perrone* and *Maddox* and Division III erred in failing to adhere to that precedent.

*Prejudice*

The State submitted 30 photographs derived from the search – many of which showed the non-crime-related bondage items found by law enforcement. VRP at 629-705. The State relied heavily upon this evidence in its closing arguments, where again, the evidence was argued without a limiting instruction. VRP at 1091. Mr. Cain was prejudiced by this violation of his constitutional rights as the verdict cannot be relied upon with any confidence. Accordingly, review should be granted.

CONCLUSION

For reasons discussed above, Mr. Cain was deprived of his constitutional rights when the trial court declined to issue a requested limiting instruction, and when the court permitting the fruits related to the faulty warrant to be admitted at trial. Too, the Court of Appeals erred when it disavowed binding precedent in favor of affirming the trial court. Accordingly, this Court should grant review.

Respectfully submitted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2018 by:

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# APPENDIX A

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DIVISION THREE

STATE OF WASHINGTON,	)	
	)	No. 34417-7-III
Respondent,	)	
	)	
v.	)	
	)	
RICHARD ELLIOT CAIN,	)	UNPUBLISHED OPINION
	)	
Appellant.	)	

FEARING, C.J. — Richard Cain appeals from a conviction of child molestation. He contends the trial court erred when refusing to suppress seized evidence of bondage instruments and when failing to deliver a limiting instruction concerning evidence of the victim’s fear of Cain. We find no error and affirm.

FACTS

This prosecution alleges ongoing sexual contact forced by appellant Richard Cain on the underage daughter of Cain’s former girlfriend, Lisa Madson. Cain and Madson engaged in a sporadic relationship from 2004 to 2010. Madson had two children borne of a prior relationship: the alleged victim Erin, a girl born in 1999, and a boy Uriah, born in 2002. When cohabitating, Cain and Madson resided in various homes, the latest of which was Cain’s Prosser mobile home. In March 2009, Madson bore Cain’s daughter, Julie.

We bestow fictitious names on all three children.

Lisa Madson worked various jobs in Prosser while cohabitating with Richard Cain and raising her children. Cain spent much time alone with the children due to Madson's work schedule. Not long after Julie's first birthday in 2010, Madson and Cain separated permanently, with Madson and the three children moving into a Prosser apartment. Cain thereafter occasionally came to the apartment to care for the children in Madson's absence.

The State contended that Richard Cain's sexual practices bore relevance to this prosecution. Cain frequently tied girlfriend Lisa Madson for his sexual gratification during intercourse. Cain possessed ropes, ties, and handcuffs to bind either Madson's hands or feet depending on the couple's desired sexual position. Cain admitted during trial testimony that he enjoys restraining a woman during sex if the woman desires such.

Erin cannot recollect specific dates that Richard Cain molested her, but states that the abuse occurred from July of 2006 to April of 2011, when Erin was between ages six and ten. The abuse occurred in a series of residences, in which Cain, Lisa Madson, and Madson's children resided.

According to Erin, Richard Cain first sexually touched her after school one day during her mother's absence. Erin, as part of her weekday routine, finished her homework and watched television when Cain hoisted Erin, carried her into Cain's bedroom, and placed her on his bed. During trial testimony, Erin described the first act

of molestation as Cain rubbing his penis against her vagina and buttocks. She did not respond for fear of being physically struck. Erin described the abuse as ongoing. She recalled situations when Cain placed his mouth on or around her pelvic region, placed her hand on Cain's penis, and rubbed his penis in and around her buttocks and genitals. Erin also testified that Cain bound her hands with the tie from her mother's robe and then touched her genitals.

During trial testimony, Uriah Madson remembered Richard Cain and Erin spending time after school locked inside Cain's bedroom. Joanne Carow, Lisa Madson's mother, testified that she noticed Cain showing Erin more affection than Uriah and remembered Erin and Cain once snuggled on the couch, while Erin wore no shirt.

After separating with Richard Cain, Lisa Madson discovered, in her apartment, a drawing of a human body with a penis. A perturbed Madson confronted Erin and Uriah as to the drawer of the obscene image. Uriah admitted to drawing the picture. Lisa then asked her two oldest children if either had been touched inappropriately, and Erin responded affirmatively. After Erin disclosed the abuse, Madson destroyed the robe from which Cain took the tie to bind Erin's hands.

Erin Madson had not earlier revealed the misconduct of Richard Cain because of fear of Cain, Cain's instruction to remain silent, an understanding that no one would believe her accusations, and a desire to avoid the subject of the abuse. To explain her fear at trial, Erin testified to Cain owning a gun and to an instance when Cain shot and

killed a bunny rabbit outside their home. Erin also averred that Cain spanked her as a form of discipline.

Lisa Madson informed law enforcement of Erin's disclosure of sexual misconduct of Richard Cain. Law enforcement then conducted a forensic interview and a physical examination of Erin. Law enforcement also sought a warrant to search the home of Cain and to seize evidence of sexual molestation from the home. Benton County Sheriff Deputy Scott Runge declared, in support of the warrant:

Yesterday when Lisa [Madson's] children came home from school she found a drawing her son had done. . . . She pulled her two oldest children aside . . . and asked them if anyone has touched either of them inappropriately. . . . [Erin] replied yes. . . .

She [Lisa Madson] asked [Erin] who touched her inappropriately and she replied (SU) [suspect] Richard Cain. She asked [Erin] how he touched her.

[Erin] replied to her mother he used to make her lay on her stomach on their bed. He would then cover her head with a pillow, sometimes even making it hard for her to breath. Sometimes he would use a bathrobe rope and tie her hands behind her back. He would then touch her vagina with his fingers, mouth, and penis. . . . Lisa asked [Erin] when this happened. [Erin] replied it has happened several times from when they lived with Richard at his current address, and when he would come over and baby sit them when they lived in an apartment in Prosser. Lisa was unable to find out when the last time anything sexual occurred between [Erin] and Richard, however stated Richard watched all of the children approximately 1 to 2 weeks ago.

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. . . I [Deputy Carrigan] asked if she [Lisa Madson] thought [Erin] was telling her the truth and she said yes. She says the things [Erin] says Richard did to her are things Richard did to her when they were dating. She explained Richard used to have her lay on her stomach and would tie her hands behind her back with her robe rope. I asked if there were any letters from Richard or videos they could have made together that would

put these thoughts in [Erin's] head. She advised she and Richard have made videos in the past of them having sex, however there is no way [Erin] could have gotten a hold of them. . . .

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An appointment was made for [Erin] to be interviewed . . . [at the local sexual abuse resources center]. . . .

. . . .

Madson went on to tell me [Detective Scott Runge] about some of the things [Erin] had told her. Madson stated that she felt that [Erin's] comments were true because Cain did the same type things to her during their sexual relationship. I asked her to clarify and Madson went on to say that [Erin] described being bound with a robe strap and was referred to as a prisoner or slave. Madson stated that she too was bound with robe straps and referred to as a prisoner and slave.

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[During the interview of Erin by forensic interviewer Mari Murstig], Mari began the interview again and stated, "I heard about something involving a robe." [Erin] stated that he would tie her up with the bath robe's "Fuzzy Belt" so she would squirm around or move. She stated that he would tie up her hands and feet.

[Erin] stated that Cain used two of her mother's robes. She described the robes as being one with clouds and one with hearts and polka dots.

. . . .

[Erin] then recalled about how Cain would perform oral sex on her and stated, "When I looked down I felt like I was gonna puke." "I would put a pillow over my head so I wouldn't look down."

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At 1200 hrs, Prosecutor Anita Petra, [Child Protective Services] (CPS) Social Worker Rosa Valdez, [Erin's] mother Lisa Madson and I [Detective Scott Runge] went to the conference room to discuss the process of the case.

. . . .

I then asked Madson about her sexual relationship with Cain. I was referring to the information that she discussed over the phone.

Madson stated that she too would have her hands bound by the robe strap. She stated that Cain had a fetish for binding and would use scarves, a robe, and even other items from past relationships to bind her hands and

feet. She stated that he would even put a pillow over [her] head. She described it as him being in control. . . .

. . . .

Madson stated that during their sexual history that he also had a fetish for videotaping and photographing their sexual sessions. She stated that he had many tapes and she had some too. She stated that during one of their break ups she had erased all of his tapes and destroyed hers. She stated that since her break up they had made more and that he would probably still have possession of them. She stated that contained within the tapes would be sex acts that she described as above and the same type of communications.

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We then asked Madson about the robes she had. Madson stated that she discarded them because she read on the Internet that it was good for a child to not be reminded of things that would bring them to their sexual assaults. She did describe her robes as being blue and white with clouds and white, pink, and red polka dot that was valentine themed. She stated that she still had the brown pillow.

I asked her about the brown pillow and she stated that [Erin] disclosed to her that Cain would use the pillow to prop her up when he had her in a bent over position. I told her that we would like to take possession of the pillow for the case. I asked her how she came about the information about the pillow and she stated that when she discovered the information on the Internet she asked [Erin] about any items in the house that reminded her of Cain and [Erin] pointed out the robes and pillow.

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Since there is a correlation between Cain's fetish for binding and communicating the same type verbal fantasies during sexual acts between [Erin] and Madson it is also reasonably presumed that Cain may have video or digital media of his sex acts with [Erin] as he did with Madson.

WHEREFORE, I request that a search warrant issue for the purpose of searching . . . [Richard Cain's mobile home] . . . and to seize:

. . . Photographs of the residence and bedroom of Richard Elliot Cain  
. . . Rope, scarves, robe straps, or any other items that can be used for binding;

. . . All VHS and 8 mm video tapes and all electronic storage mediums; including but not limited to Computers, External Hard Drives, CD's, Floppy Disks, Diskettes, Digital Cameras, IPODS, Cellular Phones

with Camera Feature, and Flash Drives that could be used to contain depictions of sexual acts of the victim;  
. . . Documents of Dominion.

CP at 33-44. The June 15, 2011, warrant authorized the seizure of:

- (1) Photographs of the residence and bedroom of Richard Elliot Cain (6/11/65);
- (2) Ropes, scarves, ties or any other device that can be used for binding;
- (3) Any VHS, 8 mm, photographs, electronic storage devices to include but not limited to computers, hard drives, CDs, floppy disks, diskettes, iPods, cell phones w/camera features, and flash drives that could be used to store any depictions of child pornography;
- (4) Documents of dominion.

CP at 32.

Benton County Sheriff Detective Scott Runge and other law enforcement officers executed the search warrant at Richard Cain's home on June 16, 2011. Law enforcement discovered VHS tapes of Cain and Lisa Madson engaged in sexual acts of bondage. Law enforcement took photographs of purported bondage instruments, including handkerchiefs, scarves, belts, a ball gag, handcuffs, nylon bindings, ropes, a leather whip, and a paddle. A drawer underneath the home's bed contained handkerchiefs and scarves wound in a fashion to be used as bindings.

Investigating officers also discovered evidence of an unlawful marijuana enterprise in Richard Cain's residence, so they withdrew after one hour of searching to request a telephonic amendment to the warrant. The trial court granted an amendment that authorized entry into outbuildings, opening of cargo containers, and seizure of



marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

#### PROCEDURE

The State of Washington first charged Richard Cain with a crime in June 2011. By December 2012, the State had amended its information twice and charged Richard Cain with one count of first degree rape of child and one count of first degree child molestation. Both charges requested aggravated sentences due to Cain's abuse of a position of trust and confidence over Erin. The State did not allege a specific date for the rape or a precise date for an act of molestation, but alleged criminal acts occurred between July 10, 2006, and April 1, 2011.

Richard Cain's first trial resulted in a mistrial because of a hung jury. A jury convicted Cain on both counts during a second trial. The trial court later granted Cain a motion for new trial because of a violation of the right to counsel.

In a series of motions thereafter, Richard Cain sought suppression of all evidence seized from his home based on the invalidity of the search warrant. In response, the trial court suppressed the video of Richard Cain and Lisa Madson engaging in sexual bondage, any electronic information found inside Cain's home, and evidence relating to marijuana distribution. The trial court found the order authorizing seizure of all videotapes to be overly broad and ruled that the warrant did not authorize confiscation of videos depicting sexual conduct between Madson and Cain. The trial court declined to suppress the photographs of bondage materials and dominion documents. The court

concluded, against Cain's contention, that the search for bondage devices and dominion documents could be severed from the invalid parts of the warrant.

Before the third trial, Richard Cain requested exclusion of evidence of any of his purported intimidating, aggressive, or violent acts unless directly witnessed by Erin and exclusion of evidence of Erin's fear of Richard Cain after her first allegations against him. The State agreed to both requests. The trial court in particular precluded testimony pertaining to Erin sleeping in bed with Lisa Madson for a year from fear of Cain and Madson's shielding of a home window. In acquiescing to Cain's request, the State warned Cain that it intended to present testimony from Erin of hostile discipline imposed on her by Cain and testimony from Uriah of discipline on Uriah that Erin observed.

During his testimony in the third trial Uriah testified to corporal punishment meted by Richard Cain. Uriah stated that Cain hit him with Cain's hands and with a wooden paddle. During her testimony, Erin explained her reasons for not earlier reporting to her mother or others the abuse by Richard Cain. She mentioned Cain's spankings. Erin explained that, when Cain disciplined her, Cain directed her to place rocks from a hill into a bucket. If rocks fell from the bucket or she placed excessive rocks in the bucket, Cain struck her. Erin emphasized her small size compared to the body size of Cain. She saw Cain with guns. He once shot a bunny in the garden, and Erin wondered why he would shoot an innocent animal.

During trial, the trial court admitted photographs pertaining to bondage equipment. The State relied on the photographs during closing.

Richard Cain requested a jury instruction that directed the jury to consider evidence of his earlier conduct surrounding discipline and use of guns only for the purpose of weighing the credibility of witnesses. The proposed instruction read:

Certain evidence has been admitted in this trial for only a limited purpose. This evidence consists of testimony that Mr. Cain committed acts of physical and emotional abuse. That testimony may be considered by you only for the purpose of determining the credibility of the State's witnesses. You may not consider it for any other purpose. Any discussion of the evidence during your deliberations must be consistent with this limitation.  
WPIC 5.30 (modified)

CP at 385. During a mid-trial conference, Cain advocated for use of his proposed limiting instruction in accordance with ER 404:

THE COURT: Then the last one that you [defense counsel] proposed was "the evidence was offered for a limited purpose." That's your proposed instruction number five.

Are you still proposing it?

MR. MARSHALL [Defense counsel]: Yes, your Honor.

THE COURT: Go ahead and explain your thought process for that one, please.

MR. MARSHALL: Well, this is evidence—you know, the evidence that Mr. Cain committed acts of physical and emotional abuse, that's evidence of bad acts. We do not, under Rule 404, allow evidence of prior bad acts to be admitted at trial to prove that a person's behavior on another occasion was in conformity with the bad character shown in those acts.

That is always a risk when bad acts evidence comes in, and this is the court's opportunity to tell the jury, "No, you're not to use it for that purpose. You are to use it only to determine the credibility of the State's witnesses if you feel that it explains something about"—

THE COURT: And how does this—how is this probative on the

credibility of any witness, and I guess you have to be specific as to the witness.

MR. MARSHALL: Happy to do that.

. . . The State is arguing she [Erin]—she has said that she did not tell sooner that she was being molested by Mr. Cain because she was afraid of him. So, the acts of physical and emotional abuse that he’s alleged to have perpetrated upon her would support her contention that she was too afraid of him to tell.

That’s how it bears on her credibility, your Honor.

THE COURT: Ms. Petra?

MS. PETRA [Prosecuting attorney]: Your Honor, I’d ask to give me a little bit more time to look at this. You know, it’s definitely evidence in this case. It’s not just being admitted to show that the child feared him, but it also goes to the relationships between the parties. It goes to the credibility of [Uriah] as well. I would just like to have an opportunity to look at the case law supporting that.

If it is, I definitely believe it needs to be included. To do so—to not do so would be concerning. I just would like to—this is more so concerning criminal convictions not necessarily for 404(b).

So, I just need to look at that if I could?

Report of Proceedings (RP) at 1036-38. During this argument, defense counsel never mentioned ER 105. The trial court reserved a ruling in order to allow the State to consider the need for a proposed limiting instruction.

During the final jury instruction conference, the trial court directed the parties to state any exceptions to the jury instructions. Richard Cain objected to two of the trial court’s instructions, but did not comment about his proposed limiting instruction, which the court did not include in its instructions. The trial court then read the jury instructions to the jury. After completing the reading of the instructions to the jury but before closing arguments, the court discussed, with counsel outside the hearing of the jury, Richard

Cain's proposed limiting instruction:

THE COURT: . . . As I was reading, I noticed that I did not give the instruction on the limited value—

. . . of abuse or neglect, and that was intentional on my part. I don't believe that evidence is so limited—I don't think it was limited to credibility. It was more offered to explain why the alleged victim did not raise her complaints, and I'm sorry, but I wanted to bring you at side bar so that nobody guessed about that later on and give you some time to think now as I read the instructions about how you might do your closings.

MS. PETRA: Right.

MR. MARSHALL: Sure. Your Honor, I will take exception to the court's not giving that instruction.

RP at 1073-74.

On appeal, Richard Cain emphasizes the following comments made by the prosecution during closing argument:

Do you believe the defendant? Who in this courtroom, the only person who has a motive to be dishonest to you? That man (indicating). He's the only one. Did you evaluate his manner while testifying? What did you think? Did he come off as coached? That little banter that they had. Did you feel that he was robotic? Did you feel he was controlling? Did you get a mean vibe from him?

It's no wonder these children were scared of the defendant, and did you think his testimony was reasonable in the context of all the other evidence?

RP at 1096-97. The State continued during summation:

Why did she not tell? All of . . . you [are] gonna go back there and think about that. Why didn't she tell her grandmother? Why didn't she tell the counselor? Why didn't she tell her friend? Why do kids not tell? Why do kids not tell? She was scared of him. Do you have any doubt that she was scared of him? Is there any doubt?

You saw his manner up there testifying. You think that's a warm cat? Warm guy to hang out with? I mean, you see all those pictures where

they give you like three of ‘em. I mean, what’s the first thing—what’s the first thing a child does when a mother puts a camera in front of ‘em? I mean, how many mug shots are people smiling in them? Is it strange that [Erin] would be smiling when a picture was taken of her? On the one occasion that they went camping in four years?

He had guns. Tons of guns. You saw—you heard how many guns he had. He had guns. He even told you he would kill coyotes, stray dogs. You know what else he killed? Little bunnies in front of [Erin]. You think that freaked her out? He kept food from her. He would hit her. And her brother. And he was a black belt in Karate. We learned a lot about that over the course of this trial.

RP at 1106.

After completion of closing arguments, the trial court dismissed the jury and the following colloquy took place:

MR. MARSHALL [Defense counsel]: All right. I do want to amplify my exception to the court’s not giving the limiting instruction that we had proposed, the instruction that the jury not consider evidence of physical or emotional abuse by Mr. Cain except as it bore on credibility of the State’s witnesses.

We object to the court’s refusal to give that instruction on the basis that it violates Mr. Cain’s rights to due process of law under the State and federal constitutions and, to make sure the record is completely clear on this, I will now ask the court to give that as a supplemental instruction since I’m doing this because I didn’t take the exception before the court gave the initial packet of instructions.

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THE COURT: Okay. Well, the case has now been argued without that instruction. I think it would be clear error to give the instruction at this point in time, and, besides, I did not give it because, as I stated earlier, I believe that evidence was probative on more than just the credibility of [Erin]. It was probative on the question of why she delayed in reporting.

RP at 1138-40. During this argument, defense counsel never mentioned ER 105.

The jury found Richard Cain not guilty of first degree rape of a child. The jury declared Cain guilty of first degree child molestation with a position of trust aggravator.

## LAW AND ANALYSIS

### Seizure of Bondage Apparatuses

On appeal, Richard Cain challenges the trial court's denial of his motion to suppress the photographs of bondage instruments found in his mobile home during the law enforcement search and the trial court's refusal to deliver a limiting instruction to the jury concerning the purpose of testimony of hostile acts against Erin and Uriah. The second category in the search warrant authorized seizure of ropes, scarves, ties or any other device that can be used for binding, not photographs of the devices. We assume, nonetheless, that we analyze photographs of the bondage devices as if the pictures constitute the actual devices. As to his first assignment of error, he contends that law enforcement lacked probable cause to search his home for bondage devices, the search warrant's authorization to seize evidence of bondage was overly broad, and defects in the warrant allowing seizure of other evidence demand the annulment of the entire search warrant. We address these contentions in such order.

*Issue 1: Whether law enforcement held probable cause to search Richard Cain's home for instruments of bondage?*

*Answer 1: Yes.*

Richard Cain first seeks to invalidate the search warrant's permission to seize

physical evidence of bondage because of a lack of probable cause. Cain emphasizes statements from Erin and Lisa Madson placed in Detective Scott Runge's affidavit for the search warrant that, when juxtaposed, indicate law enforcement knew Madson had destroyed the robe Cain used to restrain Erin and a brown pillow Cain employed to prop Erin. Cain argues that these facts defeat probable cause for category two of the search warrant that authorized the seizure of ropes, scarves, ties, or any other device that can be used for binding. Because of evidence of other bondage devices, we disagree with Cain.

Article I, section 7 of the Washington State Constitution requires that a search warrant issue only upon a determination of probable cause by a neutral magistrate. *State v. Myers*, 117 Wn.2d 332, 337, 815 P.2d 761 (1991). Probable cause exists when facts and circumstances suffice to establish a reasonable inference that the defendant involves himself in criminal activity and that the locus of the search contains evidence of the crime. *State v. Maddox*, 152 Wn.2d 499, 505, 98 P.3d 1199 (2004). Probable cause requires (1) a nexus between criminal activity and the item to be seized, and (2) a connection between the item to be seized and the place to be searched. *State v. Thein*, 138 Wn.2d 133, 140, 977 P.2d 582 (1999). An affidavit supporting a search warrant must show a probability of criminal activity. *State v. Ellis*, 178 Wn. App. 801, 805-06, 327 P.3d 1247 (2014). Evidence obtained from a warrant issued without probable cause should be suppressed under the fruit of the poisonous tree doctrine. *State v. Eisfeldt*, 163 Wn.2d 628, 640, 185 P.3d 580 (2008). Generally, we resolve doubts regarding probable



cause in favor of the validity of the search warrant. *State v. Chenoweth*, 160 Wn.2d 454, 477, 158 P.3d 595 (2007).

The search warrant affidavit of Detective Scott Runge established that Richard Cain likely committed the crime of sexual molestation, if not rape, of a minor child. The affidavit also established that Richard Cain possessed the propensity to tie and bind a woman when engaging in sexual conduct and misconduct. Evidence supporting this propensity would confirm the accuracy and credibility of Erin's accusations against Cain. Ropes, scarves and other objects that Cain could use to tie women thereby possessed a nexus to the criminal activity.

Richard Cain complains that law enforcement knew that Lisa Madson discarded her two robes and possessed the brown pillow. Because Madson possessed the pillow at her new residence, law enforcement would not find the pillow in Cain's mobile home. We agree with Cain that Detective Scott Runge knew that law enforcement would not find the two robes and the pillow in Cain's home. Nevertheless, Cain misperceives the extent and import of the search warrant and Detective Runge's supporting affidavit. The search warrant did not authorize the seizure of any pillow. The search warrant did not specify the seizure of any particular robe. The warrant authorized the seizure of any object that could bind a person. Other objects that could be used to bind could be found in Cain's residence despite the absence of the two robes and the brown pillow from the abode. The search warrant affidavit declared that Lisa Madson disclosed that Cain used

objects other than the robes, such as scarves, to bind her hands and feet. Any such objects would hold relevance to the alleged crime.

*Issue 2: Whether language in the search warrant authorizing the seizure of “any other device that can be used for binding” is overbroad?*

*Answer 2: No.*

Richard Cain also attacks the warrant language “or any other device that can be used for binding” as overbroad. Br. of Appellant at 26. He argues the wide language unlawfully permits officers to conduct a general search and thereby rummage through his home for any object that conceivably could be used as a restraint. Since the search warrant language authorized materials directly relevant to the crime, we disagree.

The Fourth Amendment to the United States Constitution requires warrants to particularly describe the objects to be seized. *State v. Besola*, 184 Wn.2d 605, 607, 359 P.3d 799 (2015). The search warrant particularity requirement prevents general searches, prevents the seizure of property on the mistaken assumption that it falls within the issuing magistrate’s authorization, prevents the issuance of warrants on loose, vague, or doubtful bases of fact, and informs the person subject to the search of the items the officer may seize. *State v. Riley*, 121 Wn.2d 22, 29, 846 P.2d 1365 (1993).

Search warrants must enable the searcher to reasonably ascertain and identify the property that the warrant authorizes to be seized. *State v. Perrone*, 119 Wn.2d 538, 546, 834 P.2d 611 (1992). The requirements of particularity should be evaluated in light of

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practicality, necessity and common sense. *United States v. Ventresca*, 380 U.S. 102, 108, 85 S. Ct. 741, 13 L. Ed. 2d 684 (1965); *State v. Perrone*, 119 Wn.2d at 546.

Accordingly, the degree of specificity required in the warrant varies according to the circumstances and the type of items involved. *United States v. Krasaway*, 881 F.2d 550, 553 (8th Cir. 1989); *State v. Helmka*, 86 Wn.2d 91, 93, 542 P.2d 115 (1975). As to most search warrants, a description suffices if it is as specific as the circumstances and the nature of the activity under investigation permits. *United States v. Blum*, 753 F.2d 999, 1001 (11th Cir. 1985); *State v. Perrone*, 119 Wn.2d at 547.

The Benton County Sheriff's Office catered its request for permissible property for seizure to the crime, for which proximate cause existed, child molestation. Erin stated that Richard Cain often bound her during sex acts. Thus, law enforcement reasonably sought to appropriate instruments used for binding. The use of a generic term or a general description does not per se violate the particularity requirement. *State v. Perrone*, 119 Wn.2d at 547. Particularity and probable cause requirements inextricably intertwine. *United States v. Stubbs*, 873 F.2d 210, 212 (9th Cir. 1989). Identifying the existence of probable cause to seize all items of a certain type described in the warrant is one measure of sufficiency of the description of items to be seized. *United States v. Spilotro*, 800 F.2d 959, 963 (9th Cir. 1986).

We wonder if Detective Scott Runge could have requested a definitive list from Lisa Madson and Erin of instruments utilized by Richard Cain when respectively tying

each of them, and, then, in turn, Runge could have limited the search warrant to this list. We question, however, if either woman, particularly Erin, could remember each bondage instrument. We also know of no rule that requires law enforcement to precisely list each discrete instrument of crime and of no rule that limits a warrant to such an exact list. Cain does not argue for such a rule.

Richard Cain complains that authorization to seize any device that could be used for bondage failed to limit the location of the search to his bedroom or the bathroom where the abuse allegedly occurred. This argument assumes, however, that Cain would store bondage devices inside the mobile home only in the bedroom and bathroom.

Richard Cain cites three Washington Supreme Court decisions as supporting his contention: *State v. Besola*, 184 Wn.2d 605 (2015); *State v. Reep*, 161 Wn.2d 808, 167 P.3d 1156 (2007); and *State v. Perrone*, 119 Wn.2d 538 (1992). All three decisions involved prosecution for pornographic materials, which possess First Amendment protections. Warrants for materials protected by the First Amendment require a heightened degree of particularity. *State v. Perrone*, 119 Wn.2d at 547-48. Cain cites no decision that grants bondage devices the shield of the First Amendment.

*Issue 3: Whether the trial court properly severed the authorization to seize instrumentalities of bondage from unlawful sections of the search warrant?*

*Answer 3: Yes.*

The trial court upheld those portions of the June 2011 search warrant that permitted seizure of bondage instruments and documents of Richard Cain's dominion over the mobile home. Nevertheless, the trial court suppressed the video of Richard Cain and Lisa Madson engaging in sexual bondage, electronic information found inside Cain's home, and evidence relating to marijuana distribution. The trial court found the order authorizing seizure of all videotapes to be overly broad and ruled that the warrant did not authorize confiscation of videos depicting sexual conduct between Madson and Cain. Richard Cain asserts that the trial court should have thereby invalidated the entire search warrant and suppressed photographs of his bondage accessories and documents of dominion. This assignment of error requires review of the severability doctrine.

Nothing in the language of the Fourth Amendment or article I, section 7 of the Washington State Constitution demands that the court suppress evidence gathered under a valid section of a search warrant when another section of the warrant permitted an unlawful search. Under the severability doctrine, when a warrant lists property supported by probable cause and detailed with particularity, and items not supported by probable cause or described with particularity, and the court can meaningfully separate the two by some logical and reasonable basis, the court may sever the two warrant provisions. *State v. Perrone*, 119 Wn.2d at 546 (1992). Stated differently, infirmity of a part of a warrant requires the suppression of evidence seized pursuant to that part of the warrant, but does not necessarily require suppression of anything seized pursuant to the valid parts of the

warrant. *State v. Perrone*, 119 Wn.2d at 556.

Severing the valid portion of a search warrant from the invalid portion of a warrant demands the presence of five elements: (1) the warrant must have lawfully authorized entry into the premises, (2) the warrant must have listed one or more particularly described items for which probable cause existed, (3) the part of the warrant that included particularly described items supported by probable cause must be significant when compared to the warrant as a whole, (4) the searching officers must have found and seized the disputed items while executing the valid part of the warrant, and (5) the officers must not have conducted a general search, meaning a search in which they flagrantly disregarded the warrant's scope. *State v. Maddox*, 116 Wn. App. 796, 807-08, 67 P.3d 1135 (2003), *aff'd*, 152 Wn.2d 499, 98 P.3d 1199 (2004). Richard Cain claims the warrant failed to meet the third, fourth, and fifth elements of the severability doctrine. We disagree.

Richard Cain concedes that the June 2011 search warrant fulfilled elements one and two of the severability doctrine. We agree. The June 2011 search warrant lawfully allowed entry into Richard Cain's mobile home since officers would likely find evidence relevant to a crime therein. The warrant particularly described bondage devices, property supported by probable cause.

Richard Cain asserts that the valid portions of the warrant supported by probable cause lack significance relative to the primary purpose of the warrant. We conclude to

the contrary. The valid portions served the primary purpose behind the search warrant. The warrant authorized seizure of photographs of Richard Cain's mobile home, bondage instruments, photographs and moving pictures of child pornography, and documents of dominion. Law enforcement did not know if videos of child pornography existed, particularly between Erin and Cain, and so principally sought evidence of bondage. Lisa Madson and Erin informed law enforcement that Cain derived pleasure from restraining his sexual partner, and law enforcement needed to determine if Erin truthfully reported forced sex with Cain. Law enforcement primarily wanted confirming evidence of the description of bondage.

Richard Cain contends the affidavit of Detective Scott Runge established that the primary purpose of the search warrant was to obtain video evidence of Cain abusing Erin and evidence of a marijuana operation. In support of this contention, Cain cites the search warrant and a concluding section of Scott Runge's affidavit that stated he presumed that Cain recorded acts with Erin. Nevertheless, Runge did not declare that garnering videos constituted the primary purpose of a search of the Cain residence. Also, the search for evidence of marijuana came after officers searched for bondage instruments.

In support of his argument against unseverability, Richard Cain contends that the trial court suppressed most of the evidence seized during the search. We do not know how Cain quantifies the evidence for purposes of comparing the amount of evidence

suppressed compared to the amount of evidence not suppressed. We note that the trial court quashed two categories of seized property, evidence of marijuana and child pornography. The court denied suppression of three categories of property, photographs of the mobile home, bondage devices, and documents of dominion. In that sense, the trial court may have rejected most of Cain's contentions. Regardless, the law does not demand that we count the property suppressed and the property properly seized and compare the two. Determining the significant part of the warrant should not depend on the number of words or paragraphs dedicated to listing the property that serves as the primary reason for the search. *State v. Higgs*, 177 Wn. App. 414, 432, 311 P.3d 1266 (2013).

Next, Richard Cain claims that the officers executed the valid part of the warrant, as determined by the trial court, while the officers executed the invalid portion by searching for marijuana and electronic storage devices. We disagree. Searching for bondage apparatuses played no role in searching for marijuana or electronics. The officers did not even search for marijuana until they had completed the search for bondage instruments.

Finally, Richard Cain argues that the trial court authorized an impermissible general search of his mobile home. Once again we disagree. The broad nature of the electronic storage device and marijuana portions of the warrant did not render the particularity requirements of the warrant meaningless. Cain presents no evidence that



law enforcement indiscriminately rummaged through his mobile home seeking incriminating evidence. A warrant showing probable cause sought bondage devices and dominion evidence, and such items were found where one would expect inside Cain's abode.

#### Limiting Instruction

Richard Cain next assigns error to the trial court's refusal to provide the jury with his proposed limiting instruction. He claims that evidence of his corporal discipline of Erin and Uriah, possession of guns, and shooting of a bunny constituted character and propensity evidence under ER 404(b) such that the court should have delivered the limiting instruction. As part of his argument on appeal, Cain does not assert that ER 105 demanded delivery of an instruction.

Richard Cain's assignment of error raises numerous questions. First, did Cain preserve an assignment of error that evidence of earlier conduct in the presence of the children necessitated a limiting instruction? Second, does Cain's challenge entail ER 404(b) evidence? Third, assuming the State's evidence constituted ER 404(b) evidence, was Cain entitled to a limiting instruction? Fourth, if Cain was entitled to a limiting instruction, did he propose a correct instruction? Fifth, if Cain did not propose a correct instruction, must the trial court have refashioned a correct limiting instruction? Sixth, assuming the State's evidence did not constitute ER 404(b) evidence, was Cain still entitled to a limiting instruction? Seventh, may Cain argue on appeal that, even though

the State's evidence did not comprise ER 404(b) evidence, he was still entitled to a limiting instruction? Eighth, was any alleged error in refusing to deliver the jury instruction harmful error? Because of our answers to questions one, two, and seven, we do not address the other questions.

*Issue 4: Whether Richard Cain preserved as error his claim that the trial court should have delivered a limiting jury instruction?*

*Answer 4: Yes.*

Richard Cain does not assign error to the introduction of evidence concerning earlier conduct toward Erin and Uriah. Such evidence is relevant. A victim's fear is admissible to explain a delay in reporting a crime. *State v. Wilson*, 60 Wn. App. 887, 890, 808 P.2d 754 (1991).

Richard Cain assigns error to the trial court's refusal to give a proposed limiting instruction that would direct the jury to employ testimony about his earlier acts of discipline and possession and employment of guns only for the purpose of determining the credibility of the State's witnesses. The instruction characterized the conduct as "acts of physical and emotional abuse." CP at 385. The trial court refused to deliver the proposed instruction. During the trial time devoted to instructional exceptions, Cain failed to object to the court's refusal to deliver the instruction. As a result, the State contends that Cain may have waived the right to assign error on appeal. Because Cain

provided a proposed instruction and earlier advocated the use of the instruction while explaining his reasons for the instruction, we disagree.

CrR 6.15(c) addresses exceptions to jury instructions and reads, in part:

**Objection to Instructions.** Before instructing the jury, the court shall supply counsel with copies of the proposed numbered instructions, verdict and special finding forms. The court shall afford to counsel an opportunity in the absence of the jury to object to the giving of any instructions and the refusal to give a requested instruction or submission of a verdict or special finding form. The party objecting shall state the reasons for the objection, specifying the number, paragraph, and particular part of the instruction to be given or refused. . . .

A principal purpose behind the rule is to provide notice to the trial court of objections to the giving of the jury instructions or the refusal to give any jury instructions so that the trial court could consider the objections and correct any error before an appeal.

The State cites *State v. Sublett*, 156 Wn. App. 160, 190, 231 P.3d 231 (2010), *aff'd*, 176 Wn.2d 58, 292 P.3d 715 (2012), for the proposition that a party waives an assignment of error on appeal if he does not object to the refusal to give a proposed instruction as CrR 6.15(c) demands. The State correctly cites *Sublett* for this proposition, but in *Sublett* the defendant failed to propose any instruction and advocated for the instruction for the first time on appeal.

Richard Cain delivered a proposed jury instruction to the court and to the State. During an earlier jury instruction conference on the record, Cain asked for the delivery of the instruction and espoused reasons for the instruction. As noted by the trial court after

the reading of the jury instructions to the jury, the trial court knew of Cain's request and the reason for the request, but ruled against delivering the instruction. At that time, Cain renewed his objection to the failure to give the instruction. The State did not then argue that Cain had waived his objection. The State asserts no prejudice on appeal by reason of Cain's failure to object to the refusal to give the jury instruction during the final instructional conference.

CrR 1.2 introduces the criminal rules for superior court and declares:

These rules are intended to provide for the just determination of every criminal proceeding. They shall be construed to secure simplicity in procedure, fairness in administration, effective justice, and the elimination of unjustifiable expense and delay.

RAP 1.2(a) reads:

**Interpretation.** These rules will be liberally interpreted to promote justice and facilitate the decision of cases on the merits. Cases and issues will not be determined on the basis of compliance or noncompliance with these rules except in compelling circumstances where justice demands, subject to the restrictions in rule 18.8(b).

Because Richard Cain fulfilled the purpose behind CrR 6.15(c) and the State does not identify prejudice, we conclude he preserved for appeal any error.

*Issue 5: Whether the State presented ER 404(b) evidence?*

*Answer 5: No.*

Richard Cain contends that the trial court erred in refusing to provide his limiting instruction regarding prior acts and thereby violated Cain's right to a fair

trial by permitting the jury to consider such evidence for propensity purposes. In so arguing, Cain cites ER 403 and 404(b) as support. He frames his assignment of error as:

“ASSIGNMENT OF ERROR 1: The trial court erred in refusing to provide the jury with a limiting instruction after permitting character and propensity evidence pursuant to ER 404(b) and ER 403, particularly where the defense requested such an instruction.”

Br. of Appellant at 2. Cain cites *State v. Goebel*, 36 Wn.2d 367, 379, 218 P.2d 300 (1950), for the proposition that, when the State presents “ER 404(b) information,” Washington law demands that the court declare to the jury the purpose or purposes under which the evidence is admissible and inform the jury that it may consider the evidence only for such purpose or purposes. This assignment of error and argument on appeal coincides with the position taken by Richard Cain at trial that ER 404(b) evidence demands a limiting instruction.

A predicate to Richard Cain’s assignment of error is the State’s presentation of ER 404(b) evidence, which rule addresses evidence for the purpose of proving that, when committing the alleged crimes, Cain acted in conformity to his character or propensities. Thus, we must identify the evidence that Cain targets as propensity evidence and determine if the State used the evidence to argue or establish that Cain acted in conformance with that evidence when committing his crime. In his appeal brief, Cain references his prior actions that discouraged Erin from reporting his alleged sexual abuse

because of her fear of him. Cain then lists evidence of his corporal discipline of Erin and Uriah, his directions to the children to pick up rocks in a certain manner, his yelling, his threats to Erin not to disclose his conduct, his ownership and display of firearms, and his shooting of a juvenile rabbit.

The relevant section of ER 404(a) and its counterpart ER 404(b) reads:

(a) **Character Evidence Generally.** Evidence of a person’s character or a trait of character is not admissible for the purpose of proving action in conformity therewith on a particular occasion, except:

....

(b) **Other Crimes, Wrongs, or Acts.** Evidence of other crimes, wrongs, or acts is not admissible to prove the character of a person in order to show action in conformity therewith. It may, however, be admissible for other purposes, such as proof of motive, opportunity, intent, preparation, plan, knowledge, identity, or absence of mistake or accident.

Note that ER 404(b) precludes the admissibility of other acts to show a party acted in conformity therewith. ER 404 confusingly amalgamates varying concepts and states two of its rules negatively and one of its rules positively. The rule might better read, at least in a criminal trial context:

**Character and Earlier Conduct.** The State may introduce evidence of a defendant’s earlier actions to show propensity to commit the alleged criminal act only when motive, opportunity, intent, preparation, planning, knowledge, identity, absence of mistake, or absence of accident is at issue. Otherwise, the State may not introduce evidence of a defendant’s earlier conduct or of the defendant’s character to show a propensity to commit the alleged criminal act or to show he acted in conformance with a character trait.

Generally, ER 404(b) prohibits “[e]vidence of other crimes, wrongs, or acts” in

order to demonstrate a defendant's propensity to commit the charged crime. ER 404(b); *See State v. Holmes*, 43 Wn. App. 397, 400, 717 P.2d 766 (1986). Evidence submitted under ER 404(b) must be viewed in tandem with ER 403 to ensure the probative value is not substantially outweighed by its prejudicial effect. *State v. Cook*, 131 Wn. App. 845, 850, 129 P.3d 834 (2006). If the trial court admits ER 404(b) evidence, the court must provide the jury with a limiting instruction specifying the purpose of the evidence. *State v. Foxhoven*, 161 Wn.2d 168, 175, 163 P.3d 786 (2007); *State v. McCreven*, 170 Wn. App. 444, 458, 284 P.3d 793 (2012). This duty to deliver a limiting instruction activates only if the accused requests an instruction. *State v. Russell*, 171 Wn.2d 118, 123, 249 P.3d 604 (2011).

The State argues that Richard Cain mischaracterizes the subject testimony as ER 404(b) evidence, when the testimony is ER 402 evidence. We know of no decision that refers to any evidence as "ER 402 evidence." ER 402 admits any relevant evidence. In this sense, all evidence constitutes ER 402 evidence. We assume that the State merely seeks to argue that the prior harsh conduct of Richard Cain is germane to one of the issues in the trial and that ER 404 has no bearing as to how to handle such evidence.

According to the State, the subject evidence was relevant to explain Erin's late reporting of the sexual abuse. The State did not submit the evidence to show that Cain acted in conformity with his past harsh conduct when sexually molesting Erin. The State did not admit the evidence for the unadorned purpose of proving Cain to be a bad person.

ER 404(b) prohibits a court from admitting “[e]vidence of other crimes, wrongs, or acts . . . to prove the character of a person in order to show action in conformity therewith.” This prohibition encompasses not only prior bad acts and unpopular behavior, but any evidence offered to “show the character of a person to prove the person acted in conformity” with that character at the time of a crime. *State v. Everybodytalksabout*, 145 Wn.2d 456, 466, 39 P.3d 294 (2002). We agree with Richard Cain that the subject testimony places him in a bad light, but agree with the State that ER 404 lacks germaneness to Cain’s assignment of error.

The State did not charge Cain with any crime involving threats or fear. The State of Washington did not introduce the evidence to show that Richard Cain acted in conformity with this harsh behavior when sexually molesting Erin. The purpose of the evidence was to explain why Erin did not earlier report the crimes. We have reviewed the State’s summation and re-reviewed the section of the closing argument about which Cain complains. The State never argued to the jury that the reported harsh discipline meant that Cain more likely than not committed the charged crimes. Therefore, we rule that the trial court committed no error when refusing to deliver a limiting instruction pursuant to the dictates of ER 404(b).

*Issue 6: Assuming the State’s evidence did not constitute ER 404(b) evidence, was Cain still entitled to a limiting instruction?*



*Answer 6: No. Richard Cain never presented to the trial court any argument that a limiting instruction should be afforded for another reason.*

We wonder if the trial court should deliver a limiting instruction when the State offers evidence of previous bad behavior of the accused in order to explain the late reporting of a crime rather than to show conformity to the behavior when committing the crime. ER 105 declares:

When evidence which is admissible as to one party or for one purpose but not admissible as to another party or for another purpose is admitted, the court, upon request, shall restrict the evidence to its proper scope and instruct the jury accordingly.

When evidence is proper for one purpose but inadmissible for another purpose, a limiting instruction is usually required. *In re Detention of West*, 171 Wn.2d 383, 398, 256 P.3d 302 (2011). Upon a party's request, ER 105 requires the court to restrict the evidence to its proper scope and instruct the jury accordingly. *In re Detention of Mines*, 165 Wn. App. 112, 129, 266 P.3d 242 (2011).

On appeal, Richard Cain does not cite ER 105, nor did Cain cite the evidentiary rule before the trial court. For this reason, we must decide to address whether the trial court should have given a limiting instruction in accordance with ER 105 and whether we should on our own raise the issue of whether the court should have otherwise given a limiting instruction.

Generally, issues not raised in the trial court may not be raised for the first time on appeal. RAP 2.5(a); *State v. Nitsch*, 100 Wn. App. 512, 519, 997 P.2d 1000 (2000).

RAP 2.5(a) formalizes a fundamental principle of appellate review. The first sentence of the rule reads:

**Errors Raised for First Time on Review.** The appellate court may refuse to review any claim of error which was not raised in the trial court.

Good sense lies behind the requirement that arguments be first asserted at trial.

The prerequisite affords the trial court an opportunity to rule correctly on a matter before it can be presented on appeal. *State v. Strine*, 176 Wn.2d 742, 749, 293 P.3d 1177 (2013). There is great potential for abuse when a party does not raise an issue below because a party so situated could simply lie back, not allowing the trial court to avoid the potential prejudice, gamble on the verdict, and then seek a new trial on appeal. *State v. Weber*, 159 Wn.2d 252, 271-72, 149 P.3d 646 (2006); *State v. Emery*, 174 Wn.2d 741, 762, 278 P.3d 653 (2012). The theory of preservation by timely objection also addresses several other concerns. The rule serves the goal of judicial economy by enabling trial courts to correct mistakes and thereby obviate the needless expense of appellate review and further trials, facilitates appellate review by ensuring that a complete record of the issues will be available, and prevents adversarial unfairness by ensuring that the prevailing party is not deprived of victory by claimed errors that he had no opportunity to

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address. *State v. Strine*, 176 Wn.2d at 749-50; *State v. Scott*, 110 Wn.2d 682, 687-88, 757 P.2d 492 (1988).

Countervailing policies support allowing an argument to be raised for the first time on appeal. For this reason, RAP 2.5(a) contains a number of exceptions. RAP 2.5(a)(3) allows an appellant to raise for the first time “manifest error affecting a constitutional right.” During oral argument, Richard Cain suggested that outside of ER 404(b) simple due process may have demanded a limiting instruction. Nevertheless, Cain cited no decision that grounds the need for a limiting instruction on due process or any other constitutional provision. He does not claim manifest constitutional error.

Richard Cain might assert that his assignment of error for the failure to give a limiting instruction should be deemed sufficient for this court to review his assigned error under ER 105. We disagree. The trial court should first be given the opportunity to address a nonconstitutional error. If Cain had mentioned ER 105 to the trial court, the trial court could have assessed the need for a limiting instruction under the rule.

A party must inform the court of the “rules of law” it wishes the court to apply and afford the trial court an opportunity to correct any error. *Smith v. Shannon*, 100 Wn.2d 26, 37, 666 P.2d 351 (1983). We may decline to consider an issue that was inadequately argued below. *International Association of Fire Fighters, Local 46 v. City of Everett*, 146 Wn.2d 29, 37, 42 P.3d 1265 (2002); *Mid Mountain Contractors, Inc. v. Department of Labor & Industries*, 136 Wn. App. 1, 8, 146 P.3d 1212 (2006). We need not consider

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on appeal a theory that the lower court had no effective opportunity to consider. *Bellevue School District No. 405 v. Lee*, 70 Wn.2d 947, 950, 425 P.2d 902 (1967); *Commercial Credit Corp. v. Wollgast*, 11 Wn. App. 117, 126, 521 P.2d 1191 (1974).

At least two foreign courts have ruled that it will not entertain an argument based on a statute, when the appellant did not cite the statute to the trial court. *Araiza v. Younkin*, 188 Cal. App. 4th 1120, 1126, 116 Cal. Rptr. 3d 315 (2010); *Old Republic National Title Insurance Co. v. Realty Title Co.*, 1999 MT 69, 294 Mont. 6, 978 P.2d 956 (1999). In *Cole v. Town of Los Gatos*, 205 Cal. App. 4th 749, 764, 140 Cal. Rptr. 3d 722 (2012), the reviewing court refused to address an assignment of error when the appellant failed to cite the relevant section of the evidence code when objecting to evidence.

#### *Statement of Additional Grounds for Review*

Richard Cain presents a statement of additional grounds for review, in which he lists fourteen separate arguments. An offender may submit a pro se statement of additional grounds for review “to identify and discuss those matters related to the decision under review *that* the defendant believes have not been adequately addressed by the brief filed by the defendant’s counsel.” RAP 10.10(a). The rule additionally provides in part:

Reference to the record and citation to authorities are not necessary or required, but the appellate court will not consider a defendant’s statement of additional grounds for review if it does not inform the court of the nature and occurrence of alleged errors. Except as required in cases in which counsel files a motion to withdraw as set forth in rule 18.3(a)(2), the

appellate court is not obligated to search the record in support of claims made in a defendant's statement of additional grounds for review. . . .

RAP 10.10(c).

Richard Cain first contends that the trial court "engaged in no presentencing" after his third trial. The record does not include the transcript of a sentencing or presentencing hearing, but does include letters advocating for a lenient sentence and also a sentencing memorandum. The appellate court will not consider a defendant's statement of additional grounds for review if the statement fails to inform the court of the nature and occurrence of alleged errors. RAP 10.10(c); *State v. Bluehorse*, 159 Wn. App. 410, 436, 248 P.3d 537 (2011). We lack any coherent explanation of this alleged error.

Next, Richard Cain argues:

(2) [m]y council [sic] never received the deposition of Kim Willis before her testimony; (3) Detective Magnuson was subpoenaed to appear and give testimony. He did not show up to testify. In my first trial he testified that he told Detective Runge (we can't go in there the warrant is invalid.) While looking at the warrant before entering my home . . . (5) [Erin] told on her mom and Aunt Nichole for more physical abuse over a tablet with several text messages beneficial to the defense; (6) The text messages were not allowed to be brought before the jury. I believe the text messages would have benefitted my side of the story, and had great impact on the jury . . . (8) Nichole and Lisa inspected [Erin's] vagina the evening these false allegations came out. This was never brought forward till [sic] the third trial. Nichole claimed it alarmed her because [Erin's] vagina did not look like her daughter's vagina so they thought something bad had happened.

Statement of Additional Grounds at 2-3. We do not respond to these alleged errors since

Cain relies on facts not in the record. Issues that involve facts or evidence not in the

record are properly raised through a personal restraint petition, not a statement of additional grounds. *State v. Calvin*, 176 Wn. App. 1, 26, 316 P.3d 496 (2013), *review granted in part on other grounds*, 183 Wn.2d 1013, 353 P.3d 640 (2015).

Richard Cain further contends that Lisa Madson admitted he burned objects so that he need not look at the objects again; Madson admitted he burned the robes because the robes were used on Erin; Madson and Erin testified that Cain penetrated Erin despite Erin's vaginal area lacking damage; and the forensic interviewer was not allowed to testify. These three assignments of error require the court to evaluate and weigh evidence heard by the jury. An appellate court may not reweigh the evidence and come to a finding contrary to the jury. *Quinn v. Cherry Lane Auto Plaza, Inc.*, 153 Wn. App. 710, 717, 225 P.3d 266 (2009). Therefore, we do not address these contentions.

In his statement of additional grounds, Richard Cain adds: the trial court stated a belief that the search warrant was severable; the trial court admitted he had become as emotionally invested in the case as the prosecutor had; the trial court allowed the prosecutor to ask leading questions about Lisa Madson learning about CPS being called about a beating; the State relied heavily on photographic evidence that constituted fruit of the poisonous tree and that depicted objects never mentioned by Erin; the detectives took no legal photographs; and the trial court denied a motion to dismiss despite insufficient evidence to convict him.

# APPENDIX B

DEFENDANT'S PROPOSED INSTRUCTION NO.

INSTRUCTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Certain evidence has been admitted in this trial for only a limited purpose. This evidence consists of testimony that Mr. Cain committed acts of physical and emotional abuse. That testimony may be considered by you only for the purpose of determining the credibility of the State's witnesses. You may not consider it for any other purpose. Any discussion of the evidence during your deliberations must be consistent with this limitation.

WPIC 5.30 (modified)



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