



## Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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### Media Release

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**From:** Kasey Johnson  
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**Re:** Sex Offender Arrested for Identity Theft Warrant – 2023-20522

**Date:** August 17, 2023

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During a routine compliance check, Sex Offender, Russell Keith Shinn DOB/11-01-1953, was arrested on an unrelated warrant.

Shinn was adjudicated guilty in 1992 for **Lewd and Lascivious Molestation on a Child Under 16 Years of Age**. This conviction designated Shinn as a Sexual Offender in the state of Florida with registration requirements.

On 08-15-2023, Detective Marcacci made contact with Shinn at his residence, 21363 Canal Drive in Brooksville, to conduct a Sex Offender compliance check. Although no Sex Offender violation was observed, a warrants check revealed that Shinn had an active Hernando County warrant for the following charges:

- Criminal Use of Personal Identification Information of a Deceased Individual
- Grand Theft (over \$300 Less Than \$10,000)

Shinn was placed under arrest and transported to the Hernando County Detention Center on a no bond status until first appearance.

After Shinn's first court appearance, his bond was set at \$4,000.

#### ***Hernando County Crime Stoppers / Anonymous Tips***

***If you have information on this case, please contact Hernando County Crime Stoppers. You will remain anonymous!***

Hernando County Crime Stoppers can be reached by phone at 1-866-990-TIPS (8477) or \*\*TIPS from a cell phone.

You may also submit your tip via the internet at <http://www.hernandocountycrimestoppers.com> .

**You will remain anonymous and also be eligible for a reward up to \$5,000 cash!**

### *The Office of Sheriff:*

*The Office of the Sheriff is established by the Florida Constitution. As a constitutional officer, the Sheriff has the exclusive authority to administer his or her agency and is responsible for preserving the peace throughout the entire county, carrying out the laws of the state, the orders of Florida courts, and the ordinances of the Board of County Commissioners. The Sheriff is the chief law enforcement and correctional officer of the county.*

*Sheriff Al Nienhuis was initially appointed as the Sheriff of Hernando County by the Governor in January of 2011. He was then elected by the people of Hernando County in 2012, ran unopposed in 2016, and was re-elected in 2020. Sheriff Nienhuis remains accountable to the people of Hernando County.*