



## Animal Crushing Videos and more...

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### CASE SPOTLIGHT

#### United States v. Kornienko

25-cr-194

**What's the Basis?:** According to the factual basis, Kornienko used the encrypted messaging platform Telegram to distribute multiple videos depicting extreme acts of animal cruelty involving primates.

This type of activity is known as “animal crushing;” defined actual conduct in which one or more living non-human mammals, birds, reptiles, or amphibians is purposely crushed, burned, drowned, suffocated, impaled, or otherwise subjected to serious bodily injury.

The factual basis states that the videos depicted conduct resulting in serious bodily injury and death to animals. According to the factual basis, the videos met the legal definition of obscene material and were therefore not protected by the First Amendment.

**What's the Violation?:** Kornienko pled guilty to **Distribution of Animal Crush Videos** in violation of **18 U.S.C. §§ 2 and 48(a)(3)**.

**What's the Punishment?:** The Honorable Judge Brandon S. Long sentenced Kornienko to **9 months of imprisonment** and **3 years of supervised release**.

### This Week's Other Matters

#### U.S. V. DAVIS, 25-CR-151

**Charge:** Felon in Possession of a Firearm  
(18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1), 924(a)(8))

**Sentence:** **1 year and 1 day of imprisonment** and 1 year of supervised release.

**Judge:** Honorable Darrel J. Papillion

#### U.S. V. MILLS, 25-CR-220

**Charge:** Hobbs Act Robbery; Discharging a Firearm During and in Retaliation to a Crime of Violence; Attempted Hobbs Act Robbery; Felon in Possession of a Firearm

(18 U.S.C. §§ 1951(a), 924,(c)(1)(A)(iii), 922(g)(1), 924(a)(8))

**Sentence:** **240 months of imprisonment** and **3 years of supervised release**.

**Judge:** Honorable Susie Morgan

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**U.S. V. ROUNDS, 24-CR-132**

**Charge:** Conspiracy to Distribute and Possess with Intent to Distribute over 500 Grams or More of a Mixture Containing Cocaine; Possession with Intent to Distribute a Quantity of a Mixture Containing a Detectable Amount of Cocaine; Conspiracy to Possess Firearms in Furtherance of a Drug Trafficking Crime  
(21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(B), and 846; 18 U.S.C. § 924(o))

**Sentence:** 24 months of imprisonment and 4 years of supervised release.

**Judge:** Honorable Brandon S. Long

**U.S. V. PORTWAY, 24-CR-110**

**Charge:** Conspiracy to Distribute and Possess with Intent to Distribute Fentanyl; Distribution of Fentanyl; Possession with Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances  
(21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(A), (b)(1)(C); 18 U.S.C. § 2)

**Sentence:** 37 months of imprisonment and 3 years of supervised release.

**Judge:** Honorable Jane Triche Millazzo

**U.S. V. SALADINO, 24-CR-110**

**Charge:** Conspiracy to Distribute and Possess with Intent to Distribute Fentanyl; Distribution of Fentanyl; Possession with Intent to Fentanyl  
(21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(A), (b)(1)(C); 18 U.S.C. § 2)

**Sentence:** 48 months of imprisonment and 3 years of supervised release.

**Judge:** Honorable Jane Triche Millazzo

**U.S. V. ANDREWS, 22-CR-034**

**Violation of Special and Mandatory Conditions of Supervised Release:** *Testing Positive for Illicit Drugs; Unsuccessfully discharged from Substance Abuse Programs due to Substance Abuse; Arrested on Unrelated Charges; Multiple Failed Drug Tests*

**Sentence:** 8 months of imprisonment and 16 months of Supervised Release.

**Judge:** Honorable Carl J. Barbier

**U.S. V. CANU-GONZALEZ, 24-CR-186**

**Charge:** Re-entry of a Removed Alien  
(8 U.S.C. § 1326(a))

**Sentence:** TIME SERVED.

**Judge:** Honorable Greg Gerard Guidry

**U.S. V. CANU-GONZALEZ, 24-CR-186**

**Charge:** Possession with Intent to Distribute 50 Grams or More of Methamphetamine  
(21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(A))

**Sentence:** 40 months of imprisonment and 3 years of supervised release.

**Judge:** Honorable Brandon S. Long

**U.S. V. SMITH, 25-CR-045**

**Charge:** Conspiracy to Distribute and Possess with Intent to Distribute Fentanyl and Methamphetamine; Distribution of Fentanyl (2 counts); Distribution of Methamphetamine (2 counts)  
(21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(A), (b)(1)(C); 18 U.S.C. § 2)

**Sentence:** 120 months of imprisonment and 5 years of supervised release.

**Judge:** Honorable Wendy B. Vitter

**U.S. V. BORNES, 23-CR-224**

**Charge:** Possession with Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances; Possession of a Firearm in Furtherance of Drug Trafficking; Possession of Machinegun; Felon in Possession of a Firearm  
(21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(B), (b)(1)(C); 18 U.S.C. §§ 924(c)(1)(A)(i), 924(a)(2), 922(g)(1), 924(a)(8), 922(o))

**Sentence:** 160 months of imprisonment and 5 years of supervised release.

**Judge:** Honorable Jane Triche Milazzo