

Man pleads not guilty to rape of 2 minors

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A man accused of raping two girls known to him denied the allegations filed against him in the Superior Court of Guam.

Justin James Taijeron, 35, pleaded not guilty to four counts each of first- and second-degree criminal sexual conduct, all as first-de-



Justin James Taijeron

gree felonies. He appeared before Magistrate Judge Benjamin Sison on Wednesday. Taijeron waived his right to a speedy trial.

He has been out of prison since posting a \$15,000 cash bail.

According to court documents, the first girl, 13, allegedly told police the suspect started raping her when she was 9, adding that it happened more than 40 times.

A second girl, 12, alleged the suspect raped her when she was between the ages of 9 and 11.

Sentencing set for couple convicted in former mayor's murder

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Rudy Fegurgur Quinata and Joyner Scott Sked both face the possibility of life in prison for the brutal killing of former Humatak Mayor Daniel Sanchez.

The couple have been convicted by a



Joyner Scott Sked

Superior Court of Guam jury for the murder.

Quinata and Sked appeared before Judge Vernon Perez late Tuesday afternoon.

The court scheduled sentencing for Aug. 12.

Sanchez was found dead April 3, 2021, inside Quinata's shack in Humatak. A hammer and pair of scissors were found at the scene next to Sanchez's body. Investigators said he was bludgeoned with a hammer and stabbed at least 23 times.



Rudy Fegurgur Quinata

Aguon's 'The Properties of Perpetual Light' earns award for UOG Press

The University of Guam Press won its third Independent Publisher Book Award for "The Properties of Perpetual Light" written by indigenous human rights lawyer and environmental activist Julian Aguon.

The Independent Publisher Book Awards, also known as the IPPY awards, was established in 1996 and has served as the longest and largest running book contest for independent presses.

"The Properties of Perpetual Light" received a gold medal in the category of Best Regional Non-Fiction for Australia, New Zealand, and the Pacific Rim — making this the first gold medal for UOG Press and the book's second national book award. In 2021, the book also won "Best Multicultural Nonfiction" in American Book Fest's Best Book Awards.

"It's an honor to have helped UOG Press win another IPPY award," Aguon said. "I'm just happy that the Press is getting the acclaim it so richly deserves, and I look forward to reading all the other authors whose books are in the works."



Julian Aguon

Aguon's essay "To Hell With Drowning" was also selected as a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize for Commentary. The essay was published in The Atlantic last November, and shares the

stories of Indigenous Pacific Island communities fighting against the destruction of climate change to achieve a more hopeful future.

"The Properties of Perpetual Light" will be republished for international distribution by Astra House in New York City under the new title "No Country for Eight-Spot Butterflies." The book is expected for release on Sept. 13 and will include an introduction by Booker Prize-winning author Arundhati Roy and a new afterword by Aguon.

UOG Press will continue to distribute "The Properties of Perpetual Light" on its website and in stores throughout Micronesia.

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/s/ CHIEF JUSTICE F. PHILIP CARBULLIDO
Chairman

TALO'FO'FO' MUNICIPAL PLANNING COUNCIL

Public Notice Announcement

The Talo'fo'fo' Municipal Planning Council will hold a Meeting on Thursday, May 19, 2022 at 6:00PM at the Jeremy Newby Community Center.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. New Business: A. GLUC Application No. 2021-18, the Applicant, Apenine Management Brand (Pacific) Co., Ltd. Represented by Harry D. Gutierrez; is requesting for a Subdivision Variance to exceed the length to width ratio of 3:1 for proposed Lot Numbers 50A-3NEW-10-1; 50A-3NEW-10-2, 50A-3NEW-10-R2, 50A-3NEW-11-2, and 50A-3NEW-11-1-R2, in an "A" (Rural) zone, in the Municipality of Talofofo.
- IV. Announcements
- V. Adjournment

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US forces in Okinawa make presence felt with an eye on China

(Japan News) — When U.S. Ambassador to Japan Rahm Emanuel met Okinawa Gov. Denny Tamaki on April 27, he told Tamaki that what Japan and the United States do together will shape the next 30 years in the region surrounding Okinawa Prefecture. Emanuel stressed the significance of deepening the Japan-U.S. alliance with a view to deterring China, saying the two countries have a responsibility to cooperate.

It was the first time in about four years and five months that a U.S. ambassador to Japan had met with the Okinawa governor in the prefecture. Emanuel's visit to the Okinawa prefectural government office three months after arriving to take up his post is perceived as showing that the United States understands the significance of its military bases in the prefecture and the importance of learning about the local community.

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The U.S. military is stepping up training based on a new form of expeditionary warfare.

In February, a landing craft approached the U.S. military's Kin Blue Beach Training Area in the town of Kin. A drill was conducted in a setting where a beach here was a



FUTENMA AIR STATION: Osprey transport aircraft are seen parked at the U.S. Futenma Air Station in December 2021. Japan News-Yomiuri

remote island. The boat gliding on the surface of the sea was a U.S. Navy Landing Craft Air Cushion.

With a loud groaning sound, the craft was driven up onto the sandy beach. After landing, the forward part of the craft opened, and a vehicle equipped with a high-mobility rocket launcher system rolled onto land, ready to fire. It took only about five minutes after landing.

The training exercise was premised on securing a base of operations, including the recapture of an occupied remote island. A senior U.S. Marine Corps official who supervised the training said they are very concerned about a Taiwan contingency. The United States is enhancing

its capabilities in preparation for any contingency, the official emphasized.

The new type of U.S. military operation is called Expeditionary Advanced Base Operations, or EABO. Small units of highly mobile marines will be dispersed to islands within range of the enemy to establish bases for launching anti-aircraft and anti-ship operations, resupplying and intelligence gathering. EABO includes sea control missions of the U.S. Navy, dealing with the threat of anti-ship missiles.

The III Marine Expeditionary Force, with its headquarters at Camp Courtney in the city of Uruma, takes a

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR BOARD MEETING: Thursday, May 19, 2022 • 4:00PM
Guam EPA Administration Building Conference Room: 17-3304 Mariner Ave., Tiyan Barrigada
Google Meet Platform: meet.google.com/oke-ivvv-fgz | Live streamed on [youtube.com/guamepa](https://www.youtube.com/guamepa)



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AGENDA: I. Call to Order; **II.** Approval of Agenda; **III.** Approval of April 21, 2022 Meeting Minutes; **IV.** MCOG's request to approve the transfer of funds for the MCOG Island-wide Environmental Cleanup Program; **V.** GEPA's request to review and approve the FY2022-23 Safe Drinking Water & Clean Water Construction Grant Project Priority List; **VI.** Notices of Violation: Primos Heavy Equipment, Samsung E & C America, Inc., JJ Pacific Development, Lin's Hardware, GPPC Inc., Upper Tumon Property, Old Royal Palm Parking Garage, Verona Hotel, Cardona, UMS Hardfill; **VII.** Administrator's Report; **VIII.** Next Meeting Date and Adjournment

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NOTICE OF MEETING

IN PERSON MEETING ON THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2022 AT 9:00 A.M.

For special accommodations, please contact Eric Miller / ADA Coordinator at (671) 647-1856.

The public can access a live stream of this meeting on the CSC website: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87349712801?pwd=YTZCSVY4YzE1QXRmMkQyYjI0Q2daUT09>
Meeting ID: 873 4971 2801 Passcode: 430988

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

May 10, 2022.

III. NEW BUSINESS: NONE.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

(1) HEARING ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS (ALJ)

Eric S.N. Santos vs. Department of Corrections;

CSC Case No.: 18-AA125.

(2) SIGNING: Decision and Order

Christopher M. Santos vs. Department of Corrections;
CSC Case No.: 20-AA131.

V. GENERAL BUSINESS:

(1) Bills and Laws affecting CSC: None.

(2) Litigation by Administrative Counsel: None.

(3) Administrative Matters:

(A) Board Training; Civil Service Commission

Board Members.

VI. ADJOURNMENT.

/s/ Daniel D. Leon Guerrero, Executive Director
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