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**Press Release – Former Swim Coach Found Guilty of
All Counts After Trial**

Jon Beber worked as a Swim Coach for the club team Boulder Swimming from 1997 through early 2002. He had inappropriate sexual contact with multiple underage swimmers on that elite swim team. He quit the team and left Colorado in 2002, when the allegations against him initially surfaced and parents confronted him. At the time, no reports were made to law enforcement. It is known that this defendant has also coached swim teams in Albany, New York, Florida, and in Atlanta, Georgia.

In 2022, after three (3) victims came forward, the District Attorney's Office filed charges against the defendant for sexually abusing three (3) swimmers on the team from 1997 – 2001.

The jury found Jon Beber guilty of two counts of Sexual Assault on a Child by One in a Position of Trust – Pattern of Abuse (F3) and one count of Sexual Assault on a Child by One in a Position of Trust (F4). After the jury returned the guilty verdicts as to each of the three (3) victims, the Court revoked his bond and remanded the defendant. Sentencing is set for 10:30 a.m. on July 19, 2024.

District Attorney Michael Dougherty stated, "This defendant sexually abused swimmers whom he coached. Despite the passage of time, and because of the courage and strength of the victims, the defendant is being held responsible for the abuse and trauma he inflicted upon them. Our office was honored to fight for justice for these victims. We appreciate the service and hard work of the jurors."

Our office will have additional comments after sentencing.

As a general reminder, if individuals have been a victim of sexual abuse, please report to your local law enforcement, or reach out to your local victim advocacy organization for help (for Boulder County Residents, call MESA at 303-443-7300). If you have been the victim of abuse in the sport setting, please make a report to SafeSport at <https://uscenterforsafesport.org/report-a-concern/>.