

Local Chiropractor Pleads Guilty to Child Endangering

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Jason Bittner, 33, of Mason, Ohio, pled guilty today to endangering children, a felony of the 2nd degree, in front of Warren County Common Pleas Court Judge Timothy N. Tepe. Specifically, Bittner pled guilty to physically abusing his three month old daughter thereby resulting in serious physical harm to her.

On February 28, 2018, Bittner's daughter was taken to Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center and was diagnosed with injuries that included bilateral subdural hemorrhages, hypoxic ischemic brain injury, retinal hemorrhages, 28 rib fractures, and facial bruising. The investigation revealed that Bittner abused the child on February 26, 2018, but refused to seek medical treatment for the child for over two days. Medical professionals determined that the child's brain injuries were the result of abusive head trauma. At this time, it is unknown what the long-term prognosis will be for the child.

Bittner will be sentenced at a later date.

"This case demonstrates that there is no such thing as a stereotypical child abuser. No matter how things appear on the surface, you simply never know who might be capable of causing these types of horrible injuries to an infant child," said Warren County Prosecutor David P. Fornshell.

Fornshell commended Detectives Sean McCormick and Jamie Van Wagner of the Mason Police Department, Assistant Prosecutors Julie Kraft and Steve Knippen, Victim Witness Services Director Jessi Flint, and Legal Assistant Jaclyn Zaczek for their work on the case.



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