

SNOHOMISH COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE CHECKLIST

FIRST DEGREE EXTORTION

RCW 9A.56.120

ELEMENTS

1. The suspect knowingly obtained or attempted to obtain property or services (includes sexual favors) from the owner;

AND

2. The suspect did so by directly or indirectly communicating the intent:
 - a. To cause bodily injury in the future to the person threatened or to any other person;OR
 - b. To cause physical damage to the property of a person other than the suspect;OR
 - c. To subject the person threatened or any other person to physical confinement or restraint.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

- [] 1. Establish, through direct or circumstantial evidence, the motivation for the extortion.
- [] 2. Identify the precise nature of the threat, whether direct or indirect, and how communicated.
- [] 3. Seize, if available, any voice recordings of what the suspect said to the person threatened or writings of the suspect to the person threatened.
- [] 4. Identify the precise nature of the property or services the suspect obtained or attempted to obtain.
- [] 5. Seize, if available, any documents or physical evidence pertaining to an exchange of property or services, such as written threats, bank account records, checks, phone records, etc.
- [] 6. Request a copy of 911 tape if the tape will reveal excited utterances.