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## Months after arrest, Susan Powell's father-in-law still in jail

It appears the father-in-law of missing Puyallup mom Susan Powell has either run out of money, or friends.

Steven Powell, 61, has been in the Pierce County Jail since his arrest on voyeurism and child pornography charges on Sept. 23, 2011.

"He's being held on \$200,000 bail," said Pierce County Prosecutor Mark Lindquist. "He'd have to convince a bail bondsman that he has collateral in the amount of \$200,000."

But Powell, who had a pre-trial hearing Thursday, would have to post just a fraction of that amount to be released before his March 20 trial date.

He was arrested after police from West Valley City, Utah searched his Puyallup home and uncovered thousands of images and videos of children and women taken without their consent.

"They were actually looking for evidence in the ongoing homicide investigation regarding Susan Powell, but in the course of this search, they found thousands of videos, over 100 of which appear to have been shot by Steven Powell," Lindquist told KIRO Radio in September. "The photographer focuses on the women's buttocks, breasts."

The search came a short time after Powell had gone on national television to admit that he had a sexual relationship with his daughter-in-law before she disappeared.

"Susan was very sexual with me," Powell told ABC's Good Morning America. "We interacted in a lot of sexual ways because Susan enjoys doing that."

Susan Powell disappeared from her Utah home in Dec. 2009. Her husband, Josh Powell, has been a person of interest in the case. However, he denies involvement and believes Susan ran off with another man.