

George Nader sentenced to 10 years in prison for child sex charges

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George Nader, a key witness in the special-counsel probe of Russian interference in the 2016 presidential election, was sentenced Friday to 10 years in prison and a lifetime of supervised release for transporting a child into the country for sex and possessing child pornography.

“I take great pride in my professional life and the work I have done for the United States,” Nader, 61, said in Alexandria, Va., federal court Friday. “I am sincerely, deeply sorry for the pain and suffering I have caused.”

Nader also agreed to pay \$150,000 in restitution to the victim, who was 14 at the time Nader brought him from the Czech Republic to the United States.

He still faces [charges in D.C. federal court](#) of helping to funnel illegal foreign contributions to both the Hillary Clinton campaign and Donald Trump’s inaugural fund.

A Lebanese American businessman, Nader for decades has wielded significant influence in negotiating peace treaties and financial agreements between the United States and countries in the Middle East.

“He’s lived most of his life in international privilege and to much acclaim. He’s worked with presidents and princes, the powerful and the infamous,” Assistant U.S. Attorney Jay Prabhu said at sentencing. “But that wasn’t Mr. Nader’s only passion. . . . Mr. Nader has had a sexual interest in minors for over 35 years.”

Nader became entangled in special counsel Robert S. Mueller III’s investigation because he helped set up a [January 2017 meeting](#) between Trump associate Erik Prince and a Russian official.

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