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Montgomery County man arrested for child phonography and aggravated criminal sexual abuse

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WITT, III. (WICS) — A Montgomery County man is facing charges of dissemination of child pornography, aggravated criminal sexual abuse, and possession of child pornography.

Illinois State Police says Aaron Hartline, 19, of Witt, Ill. was arrested on Monday.

ISP says in February ISP DCI Zone 4 Agents initiated an investigation after learning a male subject was communicating with a minor, in which the suspect was discussing sexual acts and requesting child pornography.

During the investigation, ISP Investigators assigned to the Office of the Illinois Attorney General Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) gathered digital evidence indicating that Hartline was possessing and disseminating child pornography from his residence in Witt.

Additionally, DCI Zone 4 agents located a minor victim who had been sexually abused by Hartline.

On August 10, the Montgomery County State's Attorney's Office charged Hartline with six counts of Dissemination of Child Pornography (Class X Felony), one count of Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse (Class 2 Felony) and one count of Possession of Child Pornography (Class 3 Felony).

On Monday, Hartline was arrested by the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department and transported to the Montgomery County Jail.

https://newschannel20.com/news/local/montgomery-county-man-arrested-for-child-phonography-and-aggravated-criminal-sexual-abuse

Former Burke Co. pastor and teacher arrested on alleged child sex crime charges

Sheriff's Office) By Faith Alford

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. (WBTV) - According to Burke County Sheriff's Office **Aaron Mirtsching** was arrested on several counts of incident liberties with a minor.

He was first arrested Aug. 22 after the sheriff's office say they received a cyber tip. After an investigation, a warrant was issued for three counts of exploitation of a minor. He was given a \$20,000 secured bond.

The Burke County Sheriff's Office received another report on an incident involving Mirtsching on Aug. 24 and after further investigation, another arrest warrant was issued. He was arrested on 10 counts of indecent liberties with a minor and given at \$50,000 secured bond.

After his second arrest, Thrive Church released a statement saying "Aaron was immediately relieved of his duties at Thrive Church - Morganton due to the charges that have been filed. The senior pastor and senior leadership team were completely unaware of any prior on-going investigation before being notified tonight."

They ended their statement by saying, "The church has background checks on leaders, employees, and staff and we offer our full cooperation and support to authorities and law enforcement."

Burke County Sheriff's Office say this is an ongoing investigation. https://www.wbtv.com/2023/08/25/former-burke-co-pastor-teacher-arrested-alleged-child-sex-crime-charges/

Gainesville man arrested on 10 counts of child pornography

February 17, 2023 BY JENNIFER CABRERA

GAINESVILLE, Fla. – Aaron Pioquinto, 20, was arrested yesterday and charged with ten counts of possession of child pornography.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received a CyberTip on June 24, 2022, from Google regarding 19 videos of child exploitation material in a Google Drive account. Google also provided login dates, times, and IP addresses for the account. A search warrant issued to Google produced the original content reported in the CyberTip, along with 936 child sexual abuse videos/images.

A subpoena produced a physical address for the IP addresses, and Gainesville Police Department served a warrant at the address on February 16. Four adults and a juvenile live at the address, including **Aaron Pioquinto**, and contact was made with Pioquinto's father when the search warrant was executed. While officers were at the scene, Pioquinto arrived and agreed to a search of his cell phone.

Post Miranda, Pioquinto reportedly denied ownership of the Google account at first but later admitted owning that account and other accounts; he admitted downloading and storing the content that was found in his Google Drive account. He also reportedly confirmed that he traded child sexual abuse material with other people. Sixty videos were reportedly found on one of his accounts, and preliminary analysis of one of his devices found more images and videos depicting the sexual abuse of children.

https://alachuachronicle.com/gainesville-man-arrested-on-10-counts-of-child-pornography/

Hudson, N.H. man accused of possessing child pornography

Aaron Talty, 21, faces 10 felony charges

By AARON CURTIS

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HUDSON, N.H. — A tip provided to the Hudson Police Department led to the arrest of a 21-year-old man accused of possessing child pornography.

Aaron Talty, of Hudson, was arrested on Tuesday and charged with 10 counts of possession of child sexual abuse images, each Class A felonies, according to a press release from police.

Police said the case was initiated after they received information alleging Talty was involved in the sexual exploitation of children through the internet.

Taking on the investigation was the Hudson Police Cyber Crimes Unit and the department's Special Investigation Bureau, which police said "is dedicated to investigating subjects in our community who are exploiting children whether in person or via the Internet." The investigation led to an arrest warrant and the capture of Talty.

Talty has since been released from police custody on \$500 cash bail. He is set to be arraigned in Hillsborough County Superior Court South, in Nashua, N.H. on April 20.

According to New Hampshire state law, each Class A felony is punishable by a term of seven and a half to 15 years in prison, and a fine of up to \$4,000.

The Hudson Police Department is an affiliate of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, which works to combat child exploitation in New Hampshire. To visit the task force's website, go to nhicac.org or see them on Facebook or Instagram @NewHampshireICAC.

Those who believe they might have information related to the exploitation of children in Hudson should contact the Hudson Police Department at 603-886-6011 or anonymously on the Hudson Police Crime Line at 603-594-1150. https://www.lowellsun.com/2023/03/24/hudson-n-h-man-accused-of-possessing-child-pornography/

Pender County man charged with sexual exploitation of a minor

By WECT Staff

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PENDER COUNTY, N.C. (WECT) - The Pender County Sheriff's Office says that a 20-year-old man was arrested in connection to illegal online activities on Wednesday, May 24.

According to the PCSO, detectives arrested Rocky Point-resident **Adair Morales Hernandez** on three counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

The PCSO says that detectives found videos of children being sexually assaulted in conversations between Hernandez and others online. He was arrested while deputies searched his house, per the PCSO.

He was given a \$100,000 secured bond, and the PCSO expects additional charges.

"Anyone with information regarding Adair Morales Hernandez is asked to contact Detective-Sergeant Steve Clinard at 910-259-1437," the PCSO states in the announcement.

https://www.wect.com/2023/05/25/pender-county-man-charged-with-sexual-exploitation-minor/

Arrest Report

Friday, April 21, 2023

Marvin T. Bradburn, age 57, of Lincoln, IL was arrested by Lincoln Police Department on 4/20/2023 at 3:19 p.m. at his residence on a Mclean County Warrant and Logan County Warrant 2023 CF 15 on a Failure to Appear on a Possession of Methamphetamine charge.

William S. Richmond, age 45, of Lincoln, IL was arrested by Lincoln Police Department on 4/20/2023 at 4:30 p.m. at his residence on Logan County Warrant 2023 MT 70 on a Failure to Appear on a Driving while License Suspended charge.

Larry O. Franklin III, age 43, of Lincoln, IL was arrested by Lincoln Police Department on 4/20/2023 at 7:52 p.m. at his residence on a Violation of Order of Protection charge.

Adam J. Heintzman, age 25, of Emden, IL was arrested by Logan County Sheriff's Office on 4/21/2023 at 8:20 a.m. at the Logan County Sheriff's Office on a Child Pornography charge.

https://newherald.news/arrest-report-p23529-105.htm

Man facing 47 additional sexual exploitation charges after Alamance County investigation, sheriff's office says

by: Emily Mikkelsen Posted: Jul 11, 2023

ALAMANCE COUNTY, N.C. (WGHP) — A man who had been previously charged with multiple counts of sexual exploitation of minors has racked up dozens more charges after an investigation.

The Alamance County Sheriff's Office says that **Adam Douglas Short** has been charged with 47 additional counts of felony third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor. This comes after he was already charged with 11 counts of felony second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and various drug-related charges in May.

The investigation into Short began on April 26 after they received a cyber tip. After his May 5 arrest, he posted bond and was released on May 15 and officials continued their investigation.

More of Short's electronics were analyzed by the sheriff's office and they said more evidence was discovered. The additional 47 counts were a result of this investigation, and detectives contacted the US Marshal Service to help apprehend Short.

He was located on Monday in Burlington and served the warrants. He was given a \$250,000 secured bond.

https://myfox 8.com/news/north-carolina/piedmont-triad/man-facing-47-additional-sexual-exploitation-charges-after-alamance-county-investigation-sheriffs-office-says/

Ashford man among 19 nabbed in sex crime sting

By WTVY Staff

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PANAMA CITY, Fla. (WTVY) - A Wiregrass man was among nineteen individuals arrested after a multi-agency undercover investigation called Operation Cross Country XIII took place in Bay County, Florida in July.

According to officials, during this operation 14 individuals were arrested for traveling to engage in sexual activity with a minor. Six were arrested for possession of child porn.

Among those arrested was Adam Glen McCullen, 35, of Ashford, Alabama. McCullen was arrested by the Jackson County Sheriff's Office for Traveling to Meet a Minor for Sex.

Others arrested in the sting include:

- Jesus Rangel De La Cruz, 32 of Panama City, on a charge of Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Nery Antonio Bonilla Galvez, 37 of Panama City, on a charge of Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Flavio Cruz, 25, for Possession of Child Porn.
- James Michael Cummings, 44 of Freeport, FL, on a charge of Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Luke Kirspel, 20 of Miramar Beach, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- James Edward Clay, Jr., 43 of Panama City Beach, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Shane Steve Cherry, 34 of Panama City, for Possession of Child Porn.
- Adam Louis Szenay, 41 of Lynn Haven, for Possession of Child Porn.
- Christopher James Correll, 49 of Lynn Haven, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Zamir Devon Blue, 26 of Panama City, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Donald Powell, 78 of Panama City, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Devonte Lavelle Malcolm, 27 of Riverview, FL, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.

- Cameron Scott Shiver, 20 of Panama City, for Possession of Child Porn.
- Shemar O. Pearson, 23, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Jose Arizmendi, 36, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Robinson Andres Mancheno Monar, 26 of Panama City, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Carlos Mejia Ruiz, 18, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Kasey Copeland, 30 of Youngstown, for Possession of Child Porn.

Operation Cross Country XIII was held from July 21 through 23.

Headquartered at the BCSO in Bay County, the operation involved the cooperation of The Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), the Bay County Sheriff's Office, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), the Jackson County Sheriff's Office, the US Marshal's Service, United States Air Force OSI, the Panama City Police Department, the Panama City Beach Police Department, and the Lynn Haven Police Department.

No other information on the investigation is currently available. https://www.wtvy.com/2023/08/01/ashford-man-among-19-nabbed-sex-crime-sting/

32-year-old male arrested for Sexual Exploitation of a Child

Boulder County, Colo. - On December 1, 2023, 32-year-old **Adrian ACEVEDO** was arrested for possessing child sexual abuse material (CSAM). Acevedo resides in the 800 block of 29th Street in the City of Boulder.

The investigation began after the Colorado Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force received information about the possession of CSAM from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). A search warrant was executed on November 8, 2023, at Acevedo's residence where multiple electronic devices were seized. During later digital forensic analysis of devices belonging to Acevedo, multiple files were found in violation of sexual exploitation of a child.

Boulder County Sheriff's Office houses local members of Colorado ICAC task force, comprised of Boulder County Digital Forensics Lab investigators from Boulder County Sheriff's Office, Longmont Department of Public Safety, Boulder Police Department and Boulder County District Attorney's Office. In addition to other responsibilities, investigators assigned to the Boulder County Digital Forensics Lab are tasked with investigating child sexual exploitation cases and high technology crimes, plus digital forensics expertise and analysis on a wide range of cases.

Acevedo was booked into the Boulder County Jail on an arrest warrant with no bond for one count of §18-6-403(3)(b.5), Sexual exploitation of a child-possession, a Class 4 Felony, and two counts of §18-6-403(3)(b.5), Sexual exploitation of a child-possession, Class 5 Felonies.

The associated Boulder County Sheriff's Office case number is 23-05131.

Agencies who assisted with this investigation include the Boulder County Sheriff's Office, Boulder County District Attorney's Office, Boulder Police Department, Longmont Department of Public Safety and Boulder County S.W.A.T. Team.

About ICAC:

The Colorado Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC), is a group of local and federal law enforcement agencies, as well as prosecutors located in and around the state of Colorado who are trained and dedicated to protecting children online by investigating and prosecuting crimes committed against children, facilitated by the internet, technology, and computer usage. Colorado ICAC is a member of the National ICAC Task Force.

If you suspect a child is being sexually exploited online, you can report it online (link is external) or by calling 1-800-THE-LOST.

As in every criminal case, these charges are merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent unless or until proven guilty.

https://bouldercounty.gov/news/32-year-old-male-arrested-for-sexual-exploitation-of-a-child-2/#:~:text=Boulder%20County%2C%20Colo.,in%20the%20City%20of%20Boulder

Gainesville Police ICAC division arrests man after searching his devices

By Ryan Wyatt Turbeville Published: Jun. 23, 2023 at 10:58 AM EDT

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (WCJB) - The Internet Crime Against Children division of the Gainesville Police Department arrested a man on Thursday after getting a cyber tip.

Officers arrested **Adrian Alan Jones**, 36, on eight counts of possession of child pornography. The investigation began when the department received a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC).

The tip led detectives to an account linked to Jones. Officers searched his home at 2300 S.W. 43rd St. Apt. K2 and devices. They found numerous images of child pornography, including prepubescent.

When questioned about the material, Jones claimed he was searching for "teen porn" specifically "college-aged" teenagers. He also claimed he was drunk when he downloaded the pornography.

https://www.wcjb.com/2023/06/23/gainesville-police-icac-division-arrests-man-after-searching-his-devices/

18-year-old arrested with child porn after multi-month investigation

HomeCrime ByStaff Report JUNE 5, 2023

A Clermont teenager is facing nearly a dozen felony charges after he was found in possession of child pornography.

Aidan De Medeiros, 18, was arrested last week on 11 counts of sexual performance of a child by the Clermont Police Department Criminal Investigation Division.

The investigation into Medeiros began after a tip was obtained through the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children CyberTipline.

In partnership with the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Clermont Police Department detectives reviewed photographs and videos of graphic sexual exploitation of prepubescent females that were in possession of a local resident.

Their investigation led them to identify De Medeiros as the sole suspect in possession of the child sexual abuse materials.

On Wednesday, May 31, a search warrant was obtained for De Medeiros' residence and on Friday, June 2, it was executed by members of the Clermont Police Department and Florida Department of Law Enforcement Cybercrime Task Force.

Three electronic devices were seized as evidence and De Medeiros was detained without incident. After a thorough review of the evidence seized, as well as an interview with the suspect, De Medeiros was charged with multiple felonies and transported to the Lake County Jail.

Law enforcement authorities say that De Medeiros has no known local employment and/or association with organizations involving children. He has no prior criminal history and detectives believe that the materials depicted children who were unknown to De Medeiros.

De Medeiros was released on Saturday, June 3 after posting bail. https://www.orlando-news.com/2023/06/05/18-year-old-arrested-with-child-porn-after-multi-month-investigation/

Lowcountry Men Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Jordan Eric Vandell Blake Jr., 19, of Johns Island, S.C., and **Aiden Joseph Mahon**, 18, of Galivants Ferry, S.C., on eight total charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Charleston County Sheriff's Office and Horry County Sheriff's Office made the arrests in these unrelated cases. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office, Charleston Police Department, and Department of Homeland Security, all also members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with these investigations.

Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to both Blake and Mahon. Investigators state Blake distributed and possessed child sexual abuse material and Mahon distributed files of child sexual abuse material.

Blake was arrested on February 21, 2023. He is charged with one count of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment; and five counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, third degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

Mahon was arrested on February 22, 2023. He is charged with two counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

Both of these cases will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

* Child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, is a more accurate reflection of the material involved in these heinous and abusive crimes. "Pornography" can imply the child was a consenting participant. Globally, the term child pornography is being replaced by CSAM for this reason.

https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/lowcountry-men-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges-1/

Parkersburg man pleads guilty to possession of child pornography

Alan Kieffer pleads guilty to lesser offense of first of three counts.

By Mitchell Blahut Published: May. 5, 2023

PARKERSBURG, W.Va. (WTAP) - A Parkersburg man is changing his plea in a case of possessing child pornography.

Alan Kieffer, 50, was arrested on February 7, 2022 for possession of images of children engaging in sexual behavior.

The criminal complaint says that law enforcement identified 26 video files that depicted child pornography on a server in Kieffer's possession. Kieffer was charged with three counts of possessing child pornography and pled guilty to a lesser offense of count one.

A sentencing date is set for July 20, 2023 in Judge Beane's room.

We will have more information as it becomes available. https://www.wtap.com/2023/05/05/parkersburg-man-pleads-guilty-possession-child-pornography/

Cops Say as They Searched for Porn, He Was Staring at It

By Arden Dier, Newser Staff Posted Mar 17, 2023 12:15 PM CDT

It wasn't hard to find child pornography during a search of a Georgia man's home, according to police, because he was looking at it on his computer. After receiving a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that 75-year-old **Alan Neil Thur** had uploaded child pornography to a search engine, sheriff's deputies arrived at his Gainesville home for a search on Tuesday, per the *Gainesville Times*. "As deputies carried out the search, Thur was viewing five images of child pornography on his computer," the Hall County Sheriff's Office said, per WSB. Thur, who was facing two counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, was charged with an additional five counts following the search. He's held in Hall County Jail without bond. (Read more child pornography stories.)

https://www.newser.com/story/332848/cops-searched-for-child-porn-allegedly-found-him-staring-at-it.html

79-year-old Conway man charged with sexual exploitation of a minor

By WMBF News Staff Published: Jul. 13, 2023

CONWAY, S.C. (WMBF) - A 79-year-old Conway man was arrested and found in possession of child sexual abuse material, according to authorities.

The South Carolina Attorney General's Office said **Albert Koepcke** was arrested Wednesday and charged with ten counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

Koepcke's arrest came after a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Investigators also said he possessed files of child sexual abuse material.

Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force investigators with the Horry County Sheriff's Office made the arrest.

The South Carolina Attorney General's Office investigated and will also prosecute the case.

Online records show Koepcke was released to home detention following his arrest.

Stay with WMBF News for updates.

https://www.wmbfnews.com/2023/07/13/79-year-old-conway-man-charged-with-sexual-exploitation-minor/

Ogden man arrested for 11 felonies related to child exploitation

By Nancy Van Valkenburg July 9, 2023

OGDEN, Utah, July 9, 2023 (Gephardt Daily) — An Ogden man has been arrested on 11 felony charges after he allegedly downloaded child sexual abuse material (CSAM) onto various electronic devices at his residence, obtaining some through chat rooms and soliciting original videos from juveniles.

Alec Pantaleoni, 28, was charged on Thursday, July 6, on suspicion of:

- Five counts of aggravated sexual exploitation of a minor, a first-degree felony
- Five counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, a second-degree felony
- Dealing in materials harmful to a minor, a third-degree felony

A search warrant was served Thursday, and multiple files were located.

"Your affiant reviewed these files and found that they were indisputable evidence of children being sexually abused and recorded," say Pantaleoni's charging documents, filed by an officer of the <u>Ogden City Police</u> Department.

"He admitted to entering chat groups on popular social media applications and obtaining CSAM. He admitted to distributing it as well."

Pantaleoni also admitted to targeting juveniles age 12 through 17 "where he would obtain CSAM from them and send them naked photos and videos of himself."

The suspect provided the phone passcode and allowed the officer to search it, the statement says.

"Your affiant confirmed he sent 10s if not 100s of files of CSAM to others and obtained the same amount. Your affiant knows, based on the individuals he was talking to, that he was actively victimizing minors and children, obtaining CSAM from them. He was also taking their photos and organizing them into albums of the child so he could quickly access them later. ... The A/P (arrested party) was keeping a typed diary using an old typewriter in which dates going as far back as 2020 were found."

"Based on the hundreds of files located, and his admission the A/P was booked into jail."

Pantaleoni was ordered held without bail.

https://gephardtdaily.com/local/ogden-man-arrested-for-11-felonies-related-to-child-exploitation/

Sterling man charged with possessing, disseminating child pornography

By KWQC Staff

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STERLING, III. (KWQC) - A Sterling man was arrested Tuesday after Illinois State Police said he possessed and disseminated child pornography.

Alex D. Leatherman, 35, is charged with possession of child pornography, a Class 2 Felony; and disseminating child pornography, a Class X Felony.

According to state police, officers were investigating a case of child pornography after getting a tip from Twitter. State police contacted Leatherman by phone, and he agreed to meet at Illinois State Police Troop 1 Headquarters in Sterling for an interview.

According to state police, Leatherman confessed to possessing and disseminating child pornography during the interview, and they found evidence on his phone.

Leatherman was taken to the Whiteside County Jail where he is awaiting a bond hearing.

The investigation is ongoing, state police said.

The Illinois State Police has resources for parents, for the public to report crimes against children, and victims to start their path toward healing and recovery. To keep kids safe online, learn more

at: https://illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/onlinesafe/; To report online exploitation visit: www.cybertipline.org; For resources for survivors of sexual abuse visit: https://www.missingkids.org/gethelpnow/csam-resources.

https://www.kwqc.com/2023/03/22/sterling-man-charged-with-possessing-disseminating-child-pornography/

Police: Wells man arrested for possession of child porn

by: Schyler Perkins

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WELLS, Mich. (WJMN) — A Wells man was arrested for looking at child porn on the internet last week, according to Michigan State Police.

We're told **Alex James Wigand**, a 32-year-old from Wells, was arraigned Aug. 17, on four charges each of both aggravated possession of child sexually abusive material (punishable by up to 10 years in prison) and using a computer to commit a crime (punishable by up to 20 years in prison).

The investigation was launched after MSP became aware that Wigand was viewing offensive files online. A spokesperson for state police told us the tip could have come from an automated alert that is sent when an internet user is viewing obviously offensive material or from someone calling in to report Wigand. However, the spokesperson said the exact method will not be known unless it is revealed in court documents.

The effort was lead by the MSP Computer Crimes Unit, which was assisted by the MSP Gladstone Post, the Delta County Sheriff's Office, and the Wisconsin Department of Justice. Local 3 will update this story as it develops.

https://www.upmatters.com/news/police-wells-man-arrested-for-possession-of-child-porn/#:~:text=We're%20told%20Alex%20James,to%2020%20years%20in%20prison)

Bluefield men arrested on charges including possession of child sexual abuse material

Greg Jordan, Bluefield Daily Telegraph, W.Va. July 27, 2023

Jul. 27—BLUEFIELD — Two Mercer County residents are facing charges including possession of child sexual abuse material after an investigation was conducted by the Mercer County Sheriff's Department.

Alexander Curzi, 22, of Bluefield was arrested Tuesday by Detectives Lieutenant S. A. Sommers and Corporal M. T. Hatfield, according to a statement released Wednesday by the sheriff's department.

Curzi has been charged with possession of child sexual abuse material (about 600 images); solicitation of a minor via computer (eight counts); cause/assist minors in filming sexually explicit conduct (three counts).

The case began Nov. 17, 2021 when Sommers was assigned a National Center for Missing & Exploited Children Cyber tip line report for investigation, according to the criminal complaint filed at the Mercer County Magistrate Clerk's Office. A review of the tip line report showed that an internet user "uploaded/shared four (4) files of suspected CSAM (Child Sexual Abuse Material) to another user or group of users within Kik on or about October 11, 2021."

The four files were color photographs of female juveniles less than 16 years old in sexual situations, according to the criminal complaint. Sommers obtained and served an administrative subpoena on an internet provider and a search engine for information. Google responded with information leading to Curzi. Sommers and Capt. J.J. Ruble conducted a "knock and talk" at Curzi's home.

"Alexander Curzi was present at the apartment, where a consensual interview took place in the parking lot," Sommers said in the report. "He admitted to receipt, distribution and possession of CSA M and identified the following devices that were inside his apartment as being use for/containing CSAM." These devices included a laptop computer, an external hard drive and an iPhone 11 Pro Max. The items were seized as evidence.

Curzi consented to being transported to the Mercer County Sheriff's Department for a recorded interview. After being advised of his Miranda Rights, Curzi gave a statement and admitted to owning email addresses and accounts

for distributing and receiving CSAM, possessing CSAM, actively engaging in the solicitation of minors and exchanging sexually explicit photographs with minors. When the interview was finished, Curzi was released pending the completion of the investigation, according to the criminal complaint.

The investigation showed alleged contact with minors and messages requesting explicit photographs and discussing sex acts and other sexual activity, according to the complaint. Explicit videos were allegedly requested from a female juvenile and received by Curzi.

Curzi was being held Wednesday at the Southern Regional Jail on a \$50,000 cash-only bond.

In an unrelated case, Marcus Allen Lambert, 31, of Bluefield was charged with possession of child sexual abuse material, according to a criminal complaint filed by Sommers. The case began Jan. 18, 2022 when Sommers was assigned a National Center for Missing & Exploited Children Cyber Tipline Report.

Facebook reported that a user had distributed two files with CSAM to another user with the Messenger application, according to the criminal complaint.

One alleged file showed an adult male in a sexual act with a juvenile female, according to the criminal complaint. Using an administrative subpoena, the account was identified as one belonging to Lambert.

Lambert was being held Wednesday on a \$6,000 bond at the Southern Regional Jail.

https://currently.att.yahoo.com/news/bluefield-men-arrested-charges-including-115100727.html

SANTA ROSA COUNTY Eglin Air Force Base engineer arrested for child porn charges: FDLE

by: Christopher Lugo

Posted: Feb 8, 2023 / 03:56 PM CST Updated: Feb 8, 2023 / 03:56 PM CST

SANTA ROSA COUNTY, Fla. (WKRG) — An engineer on the Eglin Air Force Base was arrested on child pornography charges on Tuesday, according to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

Alexander Freehardt, 42, was charged with promoting a sexual performance by a child, use of two-way communication device to facilitate a felony and six counts of electronic transmission of child pornography.

According to FDLE investigators, on Jan. 2, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received a Cyber Tipline Report in reference to the "possession, manufacturing and/or distribution of child pornography."

The report said the username "geomachine1" was used on a Messenger app to upload four separate media files depicting child pornography.

According to the FDLE report, investigators submitted a search warrant to Google for the content of the "geomachine1"'s email. The content of the Google account included photos of Freehardt, according to the report.

On Feb. 7, law enforcement with the Santa Rosa County Sheriff's Office and Homeland Security executed a search warrant at Freehardt's address in Navarre. According to the report, while the search warrant was happening, Freehardt showed up to the address and consented to being interviewed.

During the interview, the report said Freehardt admitted to being the owner of the "geomachine1" email account, but said it was a spam account. In the interview, Freehardt admitted to using the Messenger application, though he declined being able to recall what his username was, according to the report. Freehardt initially declined having sent image and video files of child porn, but later he said he may have done so, according to the report.

Freehardt was booked into the Santa Rosa County Jail without bond.

https://www.wkrg.com/northwest-florida/santa-rosa-county/eglin-air-force-base-engineer-arrested-for-child-porn-charges-county/eglin-air-force-base-engineer-arrested-for-child-porn-charges-county/eglin-air-force-base-engineer-arrested-for-child-porn-charges-county/eglin-air-force-base-engineer-arrested-for-child-porn-charges-county/eglin-air-force-base-engineer-arrested-for-child-porn-charges-county/eglin-air-force-base-engineer-arrested-for-child-porn-charges-county/eglin-air-force-base-engineer-arrested-for-child-porn-charges-county/eglin-air-force-base-engineer-arrested-for-child-porn-charges-county/eglin-air-force-base-engineer-arrested-for-child-porn-charges-county/eglin-air-force-base-engineer-arrested-for-child-porn-charges-county/eglin-air-force-base-engineer-arrested-for-child-porn-charges-county/eglin-air-force-base-engineer-arrested-for-child-porn-charges-county/eglin-air-force-base-engineer-arrested-for-child-porn-charges-county/eglin-air-force-base-engineer-arrested-for-child-porn-charges-county/eglin-air-force-base-engineer-arrested-for-child-porn-charges-county/eglin-air-force-base-engineer-arrested-for-child-porn-child-p

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Hamilton man charged with possession of child pornography

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HAMILTON, Ohio —

A Hamilton man has been charged with possession of child pornography, Butler County Sheriff Richard K. Jones said.

According to Jones, the Butler County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Unit charged **Alexander Perry**, a 39-year-old Hamilton resident, with three counts of illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material.

The sheriff's office said the charges stemmed from a lengthy investigation involving a cyber tip provided by Internet Crimes Against Children.

"Don't come into my county and download child pornography. We will arrest you," Jones said.

Perry was booked into the Butler County Jail on the charges. https://www.wlwt.com/article/hamilton-man-charged-with-possession-child-pornography/44068310

Saraland man charged with dissemination of child pornography

By WALA Staff

Published: Jun. 14, 2023 at 12:48 PM EDT

MOBILE, Ala. (<u>WALA</u>) - A 31-year-old Saraland man is being held at Mobile County Metro Jail on child pornography charges, according to jail records.

Alexander Michael Taylor was arrested following an investigation by the Mobile County Sheriff's Office ICAC Unit that began earlier this month, according to the MCSO. The sheriff's office said it received information from the FBI about Taylor being involved in the dissemination of child pornography.

The MCSO and the FBI today executed a search warrant at Taylor's home, and he was arrested without incident, the sheriff's office announced.

Taylor was charged with two counts of dissemination of child pornography. Authorities said additional charges could be forthcoming. https://www.fox10tv.com/2023/06/14/saraland-man-charged-with-dissemination-child-pornography/

Loxley pastor arrested on child porn charges

By WALA Staff

Published: Aug. 30, 2023, at 10:49 AM EDT

LOXLEY, Ala. (<u>WALA</u>) - A 48-year-old Loxley man was arrested Tuesday and charged with four counts of possession of child pornography, according to officials and jail records in Baldwin County.

Allan Kyle Jones, whose LinkedIn profile lists his occupation as pastor at Lifeway Community Church in Loxley, was released on \$60,000 bond a few hours after his arrest, jail records show. His address given at the jail matches the church address at 16373 Thompson Road in Loxley.

According to the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office, deputies were tipped off by another law enforcement agency to the possibility that Jones was downloading explicit, sexual content of minors.

An investigation was launched and warrants for his cell phone revealed he was in possession of this content, officials told FOX10 News.

According to the BCSO, he faces four charges now but it's expected more could come after his electronic devices are searched more thoroughly. https://www.fox10tv.com/2023/08/30/loxley-pastor-arrested-child-porn-charges/

Huntley man working as Lake in the Hills Taekwondo instructor facing child porn charges

Emergency meeting held for parents at Taekwondo studio Friday evening. ByChristian Piekos, Tre Ward, and Stephanie Wade

Friday, October 27, 2023

LAKE IN THE HILLS, III. (WLS) -- A Huntley man who worked as a Taekwondo instructor is facing child pornography charges.

Police confirmed that the suspect, 29-year-old **Allen Nguyen**, was an instructor at Ha's Taekwondo in Lake in the Hills.

Nguyen is facing multiple counts of possession of child pornography, following his arrest by the Huntley Police Department at his apartment earlier this week after a four-month investigation.

Parents of students at Ha's Taekwondo, remained silent as they were ushered into the Lake in the Hills facility for an emergency meeting Friday night, following disturbing allegations against the former instructor.

A yellow piece of paper posted to the front of the academy Friday morning alerted the community of the emergency meeting to address concerns and to discuss how to move forward.

Multiple people commented on a Huntley PD Facebook post about Nguyen's arrest, saying their children were taught by Nguyen at Ha's Taekwondo and are in disbelief.

Parents, whose children attend the Taekwondo studio, told ABC7 they are beyond disgusted and angry. They feel betrayed by the studio after learning an instructor who's spent countless hours with their children has now been charged with child pornography.

One parent said she is disgusted by the news and added that she pulled her children from Ha's Taekwondo and no longer wants to be attached to the academy.

Yesenia Cervantes was looking to enroll her daughter in the program, but changed her mind after reading the sign plastered on the door of the closed storefront, alerting the community about the meeting.

"It's in your own neighborhood. It's shocking," Cervantes said. "Thinking, 'oh, this is only a few blocks from my house. Let me see if I can put her in there.' It's hard, because who do you trust nowadays?"

The school said they are committed to regaining the community's trust by bringing in a professional and implementing new security programs.

An emergency parent-only meeting will be held 7 p.m. Friday at the Lake in the Hills studio.

Huntley Police Chief Robert A. Porter said in a statement, "I appreciate the work of our staff and various law enforcement partners who assisted us on this case. These are extremely difficult and challenging cases to work and I truly appreciate all of their efforts in bringing this individual to justice."

Ha's Taekwondo issued a statement about the situation:

Ha's Taekwondo has been serving the community for nearly 23 years. The recent arrest of former employee Allen Nguyen, has left the staff and families of Ha's Taekwondo completely devastated. Mr. Nguyen does not have a previous criminal record and there have been no warning signs. At this time we have had no indication from police that our school has been involved in any of Mr. Nauven's personal actions. We take our students safety very seriously. Our business practices list a strict set of guidelines and policies in place to ensure parents trust in our school. This trust is what has allowed Ha's Taekwondo to make a positive impact on so many people's lives for the last 23 years. We are committed to reinforcing this trust by bringing in a professional to review the current processes we have in place and implementing any new security programs where necessary. Ha's Taekwondo has scheduled a private meeting for students' parents to meet with staff to promote an open dialogue about the situation. We are asking the public to refrain from making any false or unrelated comments that might cause more unnecessary pain and suffering to the innocent parties involved. Any tips or concerns related to the investigation of the accused should be communicated directly to the Huntley Police Department.

https://abc7chicago.com/allen-nguyen-huntley-lake-in-the-hills-taekwondo/13980730/

Meriden Police Make Second Child Pornography Arrest in Week's Span

Published March 24, 2023 • Updated on March 24, 2023 at 9:20 pm

Another man has been arrested for possessing child pornography in Meriden, marking the second arrest of its kind in a week's span.

Meriden Police said 42-year-old **Andrew Adams** was taken into custody on a warrant Friday.

The police department worked with the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and state police during their investigation.

A day earlier, police said they're actively searching for a man that's wanted on child pornography charges.

The police department also announced the arrest of 22-year-old Shamalle Upton on similar charges.

"The timing of this arrest and Tuesday's child pornography arrest are coincidental but we want the public to know that we are always ready to investigate these types of cases to be the voice of the children negatively impacted by child exploitation," police said in a statement.

Adams was released after posting a \$250,000 court-set bond. Anyone with information is asked to contact Detective Szlachetka by calling 203-630-6295 or emailing gszlachetka@meridenct.gov.

https://www.nbcconnecticut.com/news/local/meriden-police-make-second-child-pornography-arrest-in-weeks-span/3001336/

Spencer man arrested for child sexual exploitation following cyber tip: OSBI

by DeAngelo Marquise Vaxter Thu, November 16th 2023

SPENCER, OK (KOKH) — After receiving an online tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about child porn, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) Internet Crimes Against Children started investigating.

Investigators identified the suspect as 30-year-old Andrew Joseph Clements.

According to OSBI, on November 8, a search warrant was executed by the OSBI Internet Crimes Against Children unit and other agencies at Clements' residence in Spencer.

OSBI said during the search, agents obtained evidence from the home and interviewed Clements.

Clements was arrested and booked into the Oklahoma County Detention Center on charges of child sexual exploitation and violation of the Oklahoma Computer Crimes Act.

https://okcfox.com/news/local/spencer-man-arrested-for-child-sexual-exploitation-following-cyber-tip-osbioklahoma-bureau-of-investigation-crimes-against-children-andrew-joseph-clements-warrant-child-porn-okcdentention-center

Man jailed on child porn charges

Jun 3, 2023 A Mingo Messenger Staff Report

A Mingo County man was arrested recently on child porn charges.

According to court documents, **Andrew Wayne Collins**, 51, of Dans Branch Road, wasc harged with two counts of allegedly distributing or exhibiting sexually explicit material involving minors.

According to court documents, on March 19, an officer was assigned to investigate a CyberTipline (CT) report through the Internet Crimes Against Children data system.

As part of the investigation, a subpoena was subsequently obtained directing Suddenlink Communications to provide the IP address of the suspected source of the sexually explicit material.

https://www.mingomessenger.com/news/article_ffa68f68-00b2-11ee-8d57-b34ef441b592.html

Mohawk man charged with sexual exploitation

by: Josh McMullen Posted: May 19, 2023

Charge carries 15 to 30-year prison sentence.

ALBANY, NY (WUTR/WFXV/WPNY) – The United States Department of Justice announced on Friday, May 19 that a Mohawk man has been arrested and charged with one count of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor.

According to United States Attorney Carla Freedman, 36-year-old **Andrew Edick** of Mohawk appeared before a United States Magistrate and was ordered detained after reserving his right to seek a detention hearing at a later date.

According to the United States Department of Justice, in August of 2022, Edick allegedly videotaped the genital region of a child and shared the video over a social networking application. Edick also allegedly shared numerous videos of child pornography over the same social networking site.

Edick is a registered sex offender in the state of New York. If convicted, the charge filed against him carries a sentence of at least 15 years and up to 30 years in prison.

The case is still under investigation by the Buffalo Field Office of Homeland Security Investigations.

https://www.cnyhomepage.com/news/local-news/mohawk-man-charged-with-sexual-exploitation/

Mobile County man charged with 4 counts of child pornography: MCSO

by: Summer Poole

Posted: Dec 12, 2023 / 06:27 PM CST Updated: Dec 12, 2023 / 06:30 PM CST

MOBILE, Ala. (WKRG) — A man has been arrested and booked in Metro Jail on four counts of child pornography possession, according to the Mobile County Sheriff's Office.

Andrew Joel Gafford, 57, was arrested after a search warrant was executed by the Mobile County Sheriff's Internet Crimes Against Children Unit at 7890 Southgate Drive S.

In 2008, Gafford was arrested for first-degree sex abuse and second-degree sex abuse. The charges were pled down to second-degree assault, so he did not have to register as a sex offender, according to an MCSO news release.

ICAC is a national network "dedicated to investigating, prosecuting and developing effective responses to internet crimes against children," the release stated.

https://www.wkrg.com/mobile-county/mobile-county-man-charged-with-4-counts-of-child-pornography-mcso/

North Peoria man indicted on child porn count; faces up to 30 years in prison

by: Andy Kravetz Posted: Jun 6, 2023

PEORIA, III. (WMBD) — A North Peoria man faces up to 30 years in prison after being indicted Tuesday by a Peoria County grand jury on a child pornography count.

Andrew M. Harrison, 25, of 6515 N. University St., faces a single count of dissemination of child porn, a felony that carries a mandatory prison term of six to 30 years.

The charge alleges the video he was linked to had a child under the age of 18 engaged in sexual activity.

His bond was previously set at \$50,000 and he will next appear in court on Thursday to be arraigned on the charge.

https://www.centralillinois proud.com/news/local-news/north-peoria-man-indicted-on-child-porn-count-faces-up-to-30-years-in-prison/

Gymnastics coach charged with 1,000 counts of possessing and sharing child sexual abuse materials

April 21, 2023

Prosecutors also suspect there are live victims in Neafie case.

SHICKSHINNY — A gymnastics coach was charged Thursday on allegations he possessed and shared child sexual abuse materials as Luzerne County District Attorney Sam Sanguedolce believes there may be live victims.

Andrew P. Neafie, 54, of Keller Road, Fairmount Township, was arrested when county Det. Charles Balogh, West Hazleton police Det. Richard Naprava, and state police Cpl. Chris Hill, members of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and Pennsylvania State Police Northeast Computer Crime Unit, executed a search warrant at his residence.

The search warrant was the result of investigating several Cybertips generated from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The Cybertips involved several videos and/or images of children involved in sex acts, according to court records.

Neafie was at his residence when the search warrant was served.

During an interview with detectives, Neafie said he has been a gymnastics coach for 34, years focusing on children from 8 to 18-years old.

"Evidence found as a result of the search warrant leads us to believe there may have been some young females that had inappropriate contact with him, whether that rises to the level of criminal activity, right now we're not certain," Sanguedolce said.

Neafie initially denied possessing any child sexual abuse materials but admitted he browses the internet for pornographic images, court records say.

Detectives in court records say Neafie described coming across "eNature" while researching a nudist resort in western Pennsylvania and "clicks through" images but claimed it's tough to guess ages on those depicted in images.

Neafie admitted, court records say, he finds younger "fit" females attractive and would view child sexual abuse images for self gratification.

Detectives allege forensic examinations of electronic devices from Neafie's residence uncovered more than 1,000 images of child sexual abuse materials including files containing "eNature" watermarks.

"Upon execution of the search warrant, we revealed evidence that gave us the possibility that there maybe live victims of these crimes," Sanguedolce said Friday. "We're aware Mr. Neafie was an instructor at a local gymnastic center and also previously worked in Palmyra (Lebanon County), Annapolis, Maryland and Central Kentucky."

Sanguedolce said his office has reached out to law enforcement in those areas while forensic examinations of electronic devices seized from Neafie's residence continues.

"If any member of the public has information related to Mr. Neafie or feel they know one of the victims, we ask them to contact Det. Balogh at the district attorney's office at 570-825-1674," Sanguedolce said.

Neafie was arraigned by District Judge Matthew C. Christopher on 1,000 counts of child pornography, eight counts of dissemination of film/photo of children engaged in sex acts and two counts of criminal use of communication facility. He was jailed at the Luzerne County Correctional Facility for lack of \$200,000 bail. https://www.timesleader.com/news/1606409/gymnastics-coach-charged-with-possessing-and-sharing-child-sexual-abuse-materials

Pittsfield man arrested for possession, dissemination of child porn

STAFF REPORT Nov 7, 2023

PITTSFIELD, III. — A Pittsfield man was arrested on Tuesday and charged on charges of possession and dissemination of child pornography.

According to the arrest report from the Pike County Sheriff's Department, Andrew C. Snow, 18, of Pittsfield was arrested following the execution of a court-authorized search warrant in the 400 block of Sycamore Street in Pittsfield.

The investigation began in September when information was passed to the Pike County Sheriff's Department regarding the possession and dissemination of pornography involving children under the age of 13.

Chief Deputy Zack Orr led the investigation and said numerous search warrants were obtained and executed in the process of identifying, locating, and arresting Snow.

Tuesday's search warrant was executed at 9:12 a.m. by the Sheriff's Department with the assistance of the Illinois State Police, Pittsfield Police Department, the Attorney General's Office and Illinois Conservation Police.

Snow is accused of possessing and disseminating videos via electronic devices. He was charged with unlawful dissemination of child pornography and unlawful possession of child pornography. Snow was lodged in the Pike County Jail.

https://www.whig.com/news/illinois-news/pittsfield-man-arrested-for-possession-dissemination-of-child-porn/article_edbdf408-7dc6-11ee-baac-

Of52d2018823.html#:~:text=Snow%20is%20accused%20of%20possessing,in%20the%20Pike%20County%20Jail

State Police arrest Wilton man in child pornography investigation

08 May 2023

NEW YORK STATE POLICE Major Dennis J. Schager Troop G Commander

PRESS RELEASE

On May 5, 2023, State Police of Wilton, with the assistance of the Troop G Computer Crimes Unit, the Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce, arrested **Andrew J. Tompkins**, 23, of Wilton, NY, for Promoting a Sexual Performance of a Child, a class "D" felony and Possessing of a Sexual Performance by a Child, a class "E" felony.

Tompkins is accused of promoting and possessing images consistent with child sexual exploitation. His arrest followed an investigation and the execution of a search warrant at his home in Wilton, NY, on May 5, 2023. The investigation stemmed from a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Tompkins was arrested and processed at SP Wilton. He was arraigned at the Wilton Town Court and remanded to the Saratoga County Correctional Facility in lieu of \$10,000 cash, a \$20,000 bond, or a \$100,000 partially secured bond. https://www.nyspnews.com/state-police-arrest-wilton-man-in-child-pornography-investigation.htm

Fort Myers man accused of possessing and sharing child pornography

Writer: Joey Pellegrino Published: May 4, 2023

A Fort Myers man was arrested Wednesday after police say he possessed and transmitted child pornography online.

According to the Fort Myers Police Department, 22-year-old **Anthony Angelo** was arrested after a long investigation that started in July 2022 after a cyber tip came in from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

After months of executed search warrants and forensic examination, police determined Angelo was in possession of and had transmitted images and videos of prepubescent children via the application Kik. He was arrested and taken to the Lee County Jail.

Angelo faces felony charges of possession of sexual performance by a child (10 counts) and transmission of child pornography by electronic device (two counts). https://winknews.com/2023/05/04/fort-myers-man-accused-of-possessing-sharing-child-pornography/

Ione man accused of possessing child pornography

Police say the investigation, and subsequent search warrant, resulted in evidence of "possession of images that depicted children engaging in sexual acts."

Author: Krys Shahin

Published: 4:31 PM PST January 24, 2023

IONE, Calif. — Ione Police Department arrested an Ione resident Tuesday after a months long investigation into a tip from Internet Crimes Against Children.

The investigation started in Oct. last year and after three months, a search warrant was granted for 27-year-old **Anthony Doolin**'s home. Officials showed up to 1400 W. Marlette Street around 7 a.m. Tuesday to serve the warrant and interview Doolin.

The investigation, and subsequent search warrant, resulted in evidence of "possession of images that depicted children engaging in sexual acts," according to officials.

Multiple computers, phones and other electronic devices were taken as evidence.

The Ione Police Department worked alongside the Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force and Amador County District Attorney.

No further information is available.

https://www.abc10.com/article/news/crime/ione-resident-alleged-child-pornography-possession/103-121933f3-64b1-4996-9f35-4b102f3f2dc7

North Miami police accuse man of uploading 40 child sex abuse videos

Chris Gothner, Digital Journalist

Published: November 8, 2023 at 11:57 AM

NORTH MIAMI, Fla. – Officers with the North Miami Police Department arrested an Opa-locka man Tuesday after they said a tip from Google led them to discover that he uploaded 40 child sexual abuse videos online.

According to an arrest report, detectives were tipped off that Gmail accounts associated with **Anthony Xavier Fields**, 30, uploaded the videos to the Google Photos application over a 10-month span beginning in February 2022.

Police said he used two different Gmail accounts to do so. The report doesn't describe the nature of the videos.

Police said they located Fields, who uploaded the child sexual abuse material while he lived in North Miami, at his residence on Rutland Street in Opa-locka Tuesday.

During an interview at the NMPD headquarters, Fields confirmed the accounts belonged to him but claimed he didn't use them and denied uploading any child sexual abuse material, the arrest report states.

Fields, charged with 40 counts of possession of child sexual abuse material and one count of unlawful use of a communications device, was being held in the Turner Guilford Knight Correctional Center on a \$53,000 bond as of late Wednesday morning.

https://www.local10.com/news/local/2023/11/08/north-miami-police-accuse-man-of-uploading-40-child-sex-abuse-videos/#:~:text=Fields%2C%20charged%20with%2040%20counts,.com%20%2D%20All%20rights%20reserved

Oswego County man allegedly promoted the sexual performance of a child on Kik app

by: Megan Hatch Posted: Apr 3, 2023

OSWEGO COUNTY, N.Y. (WSYR-TV) — An Oswego County man has been arrested after he allegedly sent child sexual abuse material on an app called Kik.

The Oswego County Sheriff's Office arrested 31-year-old **Anthony C Friot** on March 30 for three counts of Promoting a Sexual Performance of a Child after almost a month-long investigation.

On March 5, the Oswego County Sheriff's Office began their investigation into Friot after receiving information that child sexual abuse material was being sent on Kik from his home address in the town of Sandy Creek.

It wasn't until March 30, that the Sheriff's Office executed a search warrant at the home and found many electronic devices, including seven cell phones which were all seized.

While executing the search warrant, Friot was taken into custody and later on in the day, he was charged with his crimes.

3 counts of Promoting a Sexual Performance of a Child

He was arraigned in Oswego County CAP Court where he was remanded to the Oswego County Jail in lieu of \$1,000 cash bail. Friot posted \$1,000 bail that night and was released.

This incident is still under investigation.

If anyone has any information regarding Anthony C Friot or knows a possible victim, you are asked to contact the Oswego County Sheriff's Office at 315-349-3411.

https://www.localsyr.com/news/local-news/oswego-county-man-allegedly-promoted-the-sexual-performance-of-a-child-on-kik-app/

Lake in the Hills man charged with grooming young child, soliciting sexually explicit material from her

by Sam Borcia Published June 14, 2023

A 33-year-old man was arrested in Lake in the Hills after authorities say he groomed and solicited a child younger than 13 to send him sexually explicit images and videos.

Anthony Jacquez, 33, of Lake in the Hills, was charged with 11 counts of child pornography, one count of indecent solicitation of a child and one count of grooming.

The Lake in the Hills Police Department said they conducted a several-month investigation into Jacquez.

The investigation was initiated following a cyber tip that was sent to the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, which the Lake in the Hills Police Department is a member.

Detectives assigned to the ICAC began a thorough investigation and obtained a search warrant on Jacquez's residence, police officials said.

The warrant was executed Tuesday at the home, located in the 900 block of Aster Court in Lake in the Hills.

A criminal complaint filed in McHenry County Circuit Court alleges Jacquez solicited a child through the internet.

Jacquez groomed the child to send him sexually explicit photographs and videos of herself, the complaint said. The victim was under the age of 13.

Jacquez was arrested by officers following the search warrant.

He was transported to the McHenry County Jail where he was ordered held on a \$50,000 bond.

The most serious charge against Jacquez is a Class X felony that carries six to 30 years in prison if convicted.

Jacquez remains held in the jail and would need to post \$5,000 cash in order to be released. A bond hearing is scheduled for Friday.

https://www.lakemchenryscanner.com/2023/06/14/lake-in-the-hills-man-charged-with-grooming-young-child-soliciting-sexually-explicit-material-from-her/

Cheektowaga man arrested for sex crimes against children

24 April 2023

NEW YORK STATE POLICE Major Eugene J. Staniszewski Troop A Commander

PRESS RELEASE

On April 20, 2023, the Bureau of Criminal Investigation stationed at SP Clarence arrested **Anthony M. Polichetti**, 50 of Cheektowaga, NY for Possessing a Sexual Performance by a Child- 4 counts (E Felony).

The Bureau of Criminal Investigation out of SP Clarence with the assistance from the Troop A Computer Crimes Unit, conducted an Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) investigation in the Town of Cheektowaga. Investigation determined Polichetti possessed child pornography.

Polichetti was released on own recognizance and scheduled to return to court in May 2023.

The mission of the ICAC Task Force is to identify individuals online who are attempting to lure children to meet for sex or those disseminating child sexual abuse material. The Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program (ICAC program) helps state and local law enforcement agencies develop an effective response to technology-facilitated child sexual exploitation and Internet crimes against children.

https://www.nyspnews.com/cheektowaga-man-arrested-for-sex-crimes-against-children-1-2-3.htm

Greeneville man charged with 28 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor

by WCYB Tue, November 14th 2023

GREENEVILLE, Tenn. (WCYB) — A Greeneville man is facing numerous counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, according to the Greene County Sheriff's Department.

Anthony Charles Roe, 24, was arrested on October 21 following a Greene County grand jury indictment for 28 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor.

Roe is being held in the Greene County Detention Center on an \$80,000 bond. He is due in court November 30.

An investigation began after CyberTips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) concerning the upload of child sex abuse material, according to the sheriff's department.

https://wcyb.com/news/local/greeneville-man-charged-with-28-counts-of-sexual-exploitation-of-a-minor

Florida man re-arrested after posting bail in child porn arrest

Brandon Hogan, Digital Editor

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Anthony Lee Rowell, 19, also suspected of molesting children, sheriff's office says

VOLUSIA COUNTY, Fla. – A 19-year-old DeLand man facing child pornography charges was re-arrested Wednesday after he had posted bail and was released, according to the Volusia County Sheriff's Office.

Anthony Lee Rowell was originally arrested Oct. 16, charged with 30 counts of possessing child pornography after a tip reportedly led investigators to explicit videos and photos of children on his cell phone.

Rowell was later released after posting bail. The State Attorney's Office, however, argued he was a danger to the community.

A judge agreed, leading to Rowell's re-arrest this week, the sheriff's office described on social media.

Though court records in Rowell's case remain sealed at the time of this report, a motion regarding pre-trial detention can be seen filed Oct. 27, with a motion to amend it filed on Wednesday.

Rowell will remain at the Volusia County Branch Jail on no bond as he awaits trial.

The sheriff's office additionally suspects Rowell of molesting children, urging anyone who has had contact with him over the last five years to contact the VSO Child Exploitation Unit at 386-323-3574.

https://www.clickorlando.com/news/local/2023/11/03/florida-man-re-arrested-after-posting-bail-in-child-porn-arrest/#:~:text=VOLUSIA%20COUNTY%2C%20Fla.&text=Anthony%20Lee%20Rowell%20was%20originally,children%20on%20his%20cell%20phone

Onalaska man accused in child porn charges out on bond

by Amy DuPont Jan 13, 2023 Updated Feb 1, 2023

LA CROSSE (WKBT) -- The Onalaska man charged with possessing and distributing child pornography is out of jail.

Anthony Schmidt posted bond Friday after the judge lowered the amount from \$50,000 to \$10,000 cash.

According to the criminal complaint, investigators found multiple sexually explicit materials involving children on Schmidt's social media accounts. Investigators say Schmidt viewed and shared them at his home and workplace.

Schmidt's attorneys told the court once he's released, he will live with his parents who've agreed to disconnect their internet. The 34-year-old will also surrender his passport and is not allowed to have contact with minors without the approval of child protective services.

The judge also added an additional condition.

"GPS house arrest. That will be for a period," Judge Elliott Levine said. "If he complies with that without any violations whatsoever, then we can talk about removing that if necessary."

Schmidt plead not guilty to all the charges. A status hearing is scheduled for May 18.

https://www.news8000.com/news/crime/onalaska-man-accused-in-child-porn-charges-out-on-bond/article_040a86e2-938d-11ed-94d5-4733669cb47f.html

Dorchester County Men Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

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(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of **Anton Christopher Lelingis**, 42, of Ladson, S.C., and Richard Keith O'Brien, 46, of Harleyville. S.C. on 15 total charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Dorchester County Sheriff's Office made the arrests in these unrelated cases. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office, also a member of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with these investigations.

Investigators received CyberTipline reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to both Lelingis and O'Brien. Investigators state both Lelingis and O'Brien distributed files of child sexual abuse material.

Lelingis was arrested on June 30, 2023. He is charged with three counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

O'Brien was arrested on July 6, 2023. He is charged with 12 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

These cases will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

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https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/dorchester-county-men-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges/

Morris Man Shared Child Porn On Social Media Platforms, Police Say

Morris Plains resident Antonino LaRosa uploaded child porn to Reddit Inc. and Discord Inc., Morris County Prosecutors said.

Vianella Burns, Patch Staff Posted Mon, Jul 17, 2023

MORRIS COUNTY, NJ — A Morris County man is facing charges after police say they found child pornography in his possession.

Antonino LaRosa, 26, of Morris Plains, was arrested and charged with one count of endangering the welfare of a child (possession of child sexual abuse materials), said Morris County Prosecutor Robert J. Carroll.

The investigation began in April 2023, according to officials, when the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) received complaints via Discord Inc. that a user had uploaded suspected child porn files to its messaging platform.

Additional complaints were received by NCMEC from Reddit Inc., who claimed that a user with the same contact information and IP address had uploaded a suspected child porn file to its social media platform, Carroll said.

The IP address in question is said to be linked to LaRosa's home, police said. An additional investigation uncovered direct messages from LaRosa's account discussing child sex abuse material.

LaRosa was later charged on a complaint-summons and has a court appearance scheduled for Aug. 2.

https://patch.com/new-jersey/morristown/morris-man-shared-child-porn-social-media-platforms-police-say

Reidsville man arrested on child pornography charge, more expected

Staff Report Feb 21, 2023

REIDSVILLE — Investigators with the Reidsville Police Department and the United States Department of Homeland Security, recently conducted a joint child pornography investigation that led to the Friday arrest of a Reidsville man who is charged with third degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

RPD spokeswoman Venus Carter said in a Monday news release **that Arique Montez McCollum**, 23, of 611 Apt. B, Thomas Street, will likely face additional related charges as the investigation unfolds.

According to a North Carolina law, a person can face the third degree charge if: "knowing the character or content of the material, (a suspect) possesses material that contains a visual representation of a minor engaging in sexual activity."

Considered a Class H felony, the charge carries a jail sentence punishment between four and 28 months, according the state law.

Deputies with the Rockingham County Sheriff's Office arrested McCollum and placed him in the Rockingham County Detention Facility on a \$75,000 secured bond, according to the release.

Authorities as that anyone with information about the crime contact Investigator Menard at the RPD at 336-347-2305. Or to leave an anonymous tip, call Rockingham County Crime Stoppers at 336-349-9683.

 $https://greensboro.com/community/rockingham_now/news/reidsville-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charge-more-expected/article_b183551c-b172-11ed-8bbb-0b2ddd46a959.html$

Utica man charged following child pornography investigation initiated by SnapChat

By: Kali Zigrino

Mar 24, 2023 Updated Mar 24, 2023

UTICA, N.Y. – A Utica man is facing charges after a red flag from SnapChat made its way to local authorities.

SnapChat representatives reached out to the Center for Missing and Exploited Children to report content uploaded by a user in Utica that appeared to be child pornography.

The case was sent over to the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force in Albany, which in turn contacted the Oneida County Advocacy Center.

The user who allegedly uploaded the content was identified as 36-year-old **Armin Nukica**.

Investigators executed a search warrant on Nukica's cell phone and found sexual content including two unidentified female children.

Nukica was arrested on March 24 and charged with two counts of possessing a sexual performance of a child.

He was released with in appearance ticket and is scheduled to return to court in April.

 $https://www.wktv.com/news/crime/utica-man-charged-following-child-pornography-investigation-initiated-by-snapchat/article_31f158d0-ca77-11ed-8183-1f3643d7e7ab.html\\$

Nebraska State Patrol arrests Lincoln man for child exploitation

Updated: 8:54 AM CST Feb 3, 2023

LINCOLN, Neb. —

Nebraska State Patrol said it arrested a Lincoln man on Thursday in a child exploitation investigation, along with help from Homeland Security Investigations.

Investigators said 77-year-old **Audronis L. Dapsys** was arrested for possession of child pornography.

After performing a search warrant at a residence near 24th and C streets, investigators said they found numerous items of child pornography during the search.

Dapsys is being held in Lancaster County Jail, NSP said.

This is an ongoing investigation.

https://www.ketv.com/article/lincoln-nebraska-state-patrol-arrests-man-for-child-exploitation/42749038

PRESS RELEASE

Former Grain Valley Police Officer Indicted for Child Sexual Exploitation

Thursday, October 19, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Western District of Missouri

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – A former Grain Valley, Mo., police officer has been indicted by a federal grand jury on charges related to the sexual exploitation of a child.

August Price Gildehaus, 27, currently a resident of Blue Springs, Mo., was charged in a three-count indictment returned under seal by a federal grand jury in Kansas City, Mo., on Tuesday, Oct. 17. That indictment was unsealed and made public today upon Gildehaus's arrest and initial court appearance.

Gildehaus was a Grain Valley police officer at the time of the alleged offenses but is no longer employed by the city. Gildehaus was originally charged by the Jackson County Prosecutor's Office.

The federal indictment charges Gildehaus with one count of enticing a minor to engage in illegal sexual activity between Aug. 1, 2022, and March 6, 2023; one count of producing child pornography on Aug. 19, 2022; and one count of attempting to distribute child pornography on Sept. 6, 2022.

The charges contained in this indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Catherine A. Connelly. It was investigated by the Grain Valley, Mo., Police Department and the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Updated October 19, 2023

https://www.justice.gov/usao-wdmo/pr/former-grain-valley-police-officer-indicted-child-sexual-exploitation

Man, 20, pleads not guilty to child porn charge

Story by Jason Kotowski June 1, 2023

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. (KGET) — A 20-year-old man pleaded not guilty Thursday to a charge of distributing child pornography.

Austin Brodsly remains free on \$10,000 bail and is due back in court in September. He's represented by Jared Thompson of Humphrey & Thompson.

Brodsly was arrested in May after police served a warrant at his home in northwest Bakersfield. He has no prior criminal cases listed against him in Kern County, according to the Superior Court website.

https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/crime/man-20-pleads-not-guilty-to-child-porn-charge/ar-AA1dPPRk

Greentown man arrested on child porn possession charges

by: Mike Coutee

Posted: Nov 17, 2023 / 09:35 AM EST Updated: Nov 17, 2023 / 09:35 AM EST

KOKOMO, Ind. — A 23-year-old man accused of possessing child pornography was arrested this week by the Kokomo Police Department and is facing several charges.

According to investigators, **Austin Hewitt** of Greentown was arrested on charges of 10 counts of child exploitation, a Level 4 Felony, and 10 counts of possession of child pornography, a Level 5 Felony.

On Oct. 27, officers initiated an investigation, and a search warrant was executed in the 500 block of North Meridian Street in Greentown.

Anyone with additional information regarding this case is asked to contact Detective Andrew Grammer at (765) 456-7411 or (765) 456-7017.

https://www.clickorlando.com/news/local/2023/11/03/florida-man-re-arrested-after-posting-bail-in-child-porn-arrest/#:~:text=VOLUSIA%20COUNTY%2C%20Fla.&text=Anthony%20Lee%20Rowell%20was%20originally,children%20on%20his%20cell%20phone

Stable owners facing federal child porn charges and first-degree CSC locally

Liz Shepard Port Huron Times Herald June 24, 2023

The owners of a St. Clair County equestrian center that offers lessons, camps and birthday parties, and is home to a 4-H club are facing multiple criminal sexual conduct charges locally, as well as federal child pornography charges.

Local charges

Todd Sabb-Visga, 47, is charged with three counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct in St. Clair County. **Austin Sabb-Visga**, 29, is charged with four counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct, according to court records.

The men are listed as the owners of Smith's Creek Equestrian Center in Kimball Township.

Both men were arraigned on the charges Friday. Bond has been set at \$1 million for both men.

They are both due in St. Clair County District Court for probable cause conferences at 9 a.m. July 3.

A phone number listed on the equestrian center website went directly to voicemail Saturday. Lawyers were not listed for either man in court records.

Michigan State Police investigated the case. An MSP spokesperson said Saturday that further information would be released Monday.

The St. Clair County Prosecutor's Office could not be reached Saturday.

Federal charges

In a six-page complaint filed in federal court, the men are charged with conspiracy, sexual exploitation of children, possessing child porn and receiving/distributing child pornography.

A tip was made to the Michigan Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force in June, the complaint states.

"The cyber-tip reported that an individual was sexually assaulting children and sending videos of the abuse to others using an Internet-based social media messaging application," Special Agent Trevor Hilden of the US Secret Service wrote in the complaint.

The tipster said Austin Sabb-Visga sent them images of himself and Todd Sabb-Visga engaging in sexual acts with an 8-year-old boy. The images included a photo of a nude infant, with a message saying they baby-sit the infant.

A search warrant was executed at their home Thursday.

Austin Sabb-Visga admitted to having sexual contact with a 12-year-old in September, the complaint states, and that his husband did as well, and that the acts were recorded on his phone. Child pornography involving another child was found on Austin Sabb-Visga's phone during the preliminary investigation, according to the complaint.

About the equestrian center

Smith's Creek Equestrian Center first opened in 2020, the company's website states, and is owned and operated by the Sabb-Visga family, "whose dream it was to create a home for so many animals and those that love them."

"We offer boarding, lessons, training, camps, leasing, sales, hauling, show team, and a 4-H club," the center's Facebook page states.

https://www.thetimesherald.com/story/news/crime/2023/06/24/st-clair-county-csc-charges-equestrian-smiths-creek-todd-sabb-visga-austin-sabb-visga/70353798007/

Rock Hill Man Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of **Austin Glen Smith**, 23, of Rock Hill, S.C., on five charges connected to the sexual exploitation of a minor. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the York County Sheriff's Office made the arrest. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office and U.S. Secret Service, both also members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with this investigation.

Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to Smith. Investigators state Smith distributed files of child sexual abuse material.

Smith was arrested on April 7, 2023. He is charged with five counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

The case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

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https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/rock-hill-man-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges-1/

ATTORNEY GENERAL RAOUL CHARGES FRANKLIN COUNTY MAN WITH POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

November 01, 2023

Chicago – Attorney General Kwame Raoul announced today that his office charged a Franklin County man with possession of child pornography. The Benton, Illinois resident is also facing separate federal child pornography charges. The case is part of Raoul's ongoing work, in collaboration with federal law enforcement agencies and local law enforcement officials throughout Illinois, to apprehend offenders who download and trade child pornography online.

Austin W. Lee, 29, was charged today in a Franklin County Circuit Court with 10 counts of possession of child pornography, Class 2 felonies, each punishable by up to seven years in prison; and five counts of sexual contact/sexual conduct with an animal, Class 4 felonies, each punishable by up to three years in prison. He is currently detained at the Franklin County Jail and his next court date is Nov. 15.

"Child pornography is a horrific crime that can leave life-long scars on victims and their families, and we must hold predators accountable – particularly those who repeat their crimes,' Raoul said. "My office's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force is committed to collaborating with law enforcement throughout the state to protect Illinois families from offenders who demonstrate that they will continue exploit young, innocent children."

Raoul's investigators, with the assistance of the Benton Police Department, conducted a search of Lee's residence on Oct. 31 in the 600 block of Maple Street in Benton and arrested him after discovering evidence of child pornography and sexual conduct with an animal. Lee was previously charged by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Illinois with counts related to child pornography.

Raoul's office will co-prosecute this case with the Franklin County State's Attorney Abby Dinn.

Raoul's office, with a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, runs the Illinois Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force that investigates child exploitation crimes and trains law enforcement agencies. The task force receives

CyberTips, or online reports of child pornography, from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Over the last several years, CyberTipline reports have steadily increased. In 2022, reports to the ICAC increased by 26% over 2021.

Illinois' ICAC Task Force is one of 61 ICAC Task Forces throughout the country and is comprised of a network of more than 175 local, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies. Since 2019, the Attorney General's ICAC Task Force has received more than 35,000 CyberTips and has been involved in more than 600 arrests of sexual predators. Since 2006, the Attorney General's ICAC Task Force has been involved in more than 1,990 arrests of sexual predators. The task force also has provided internet safety training and education to tens of thousands of parents, teachers, students and law enforcement professionals.

Attorney General Raoul also reminded the public that online child sexual exploitation can be reported at www.cybertipline.com, and child abuse can be reported at dcfsonlinereporting.dcfs.illinois.gov. In addition, local child advocacy centers can be found at www.childrensadvocacycentersofillinois.org.

Assistant Attorney General Vanessa Minson is prosecuting this case for Raoul's office.

https://illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/news/story/attorney-general-raoul-charges-franklin-county-man-with-possession-of-child-pornography-11-1-23#:~:text=Austin%20W.%20Lee%2C%2029%2C,to%20three%20years%20in%20prison

Oneida Man Arrested on Child Pornography Charges

24 February 2023

NEW YORK STATE POLICE Major Vincent T. Lightcap Troop D Commander

PRESS RELEASE

On February 21, 2023, State Police arrested **Austin J. Meeks**, age 27 from Oneida, NY for Possession of a Sexual Performance by a Child, a class "E" felony.

Meeks was arrested following an investigation by members of the State Police Bureau of Criminal Investigation in Oneida and the NYSP Computer Crimes Unit-Central Region into a cyber tip to the ICAC (Internet Crimes Against Children) Task Force. He is charged with possessing images/videos consistent with child pornography.

Meeks was processed without incident and released on an Appearance Ticket returnable to the City of Oneida Court on Thursday, March 16th, 2023, at 9:00 AM

 $https://www.nyspnews.com/oneida-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges.htm#: $$\sim :text=On\%20 February\%2021\%2C\%202023\%2C\%20 State, a\%20 class\%20\%E2\%80\%9CE\%E2\%80\%9D\%20 felony.$

Denton man arrested on nearly 50 counts of child pornography possession

October 11, 2023 By Sarah Ash

DENTON, Md. – A Denton man has been arrested in connection to a child pornography investigation that began early this year.

In January, the Caroline County Sheriff's Office began investigating the possession of child sex abuse material through an internet platform that had been taking place in the Denton area. Through the investigation, police identified the suspect as 25-year-old **Austyn Duda**.

Duda was arrested on Tuesday and has been charged with 46 counts of possession of child pornography. He is currently being held at the Caroline County Detention Center without bond.

https://www.wmdt.com/2023/10/denton-man-arrested-on-nearly-50-counts-of-child-pornography-possession/

Plea deal expected in child porn case

By Phyllis Zorn Staff writer June 22, 2023

Bane L. Spurlin, 19, Hillsboro, is scheduled to enter pleas agreements Aug. 8 in three different court cases involving eight counts of sexual exploitation of a child.

Spurlin, then a Goessel High School senior, a gold team member, and FFA participant, was charged April 20, 2022 with four counts of sexual exploitation of a child by possessing images of a child engaging in sexually explicit conduct between Aug. 24, 2002 and Nov. 2, 2021. The sentencing range for each charge is between 13 months community corrections to 11 years 4 months in prison.

Two months later, on June 20, 2022, he was charged with one count of sexual exploitation of a child for allegedly persuading, inducing, enticing, or coercing a child to engage in sexually explicit conduct Oct. 20, 2021. This charge is an offgrid felony, for which Spurlin could be sentenced to as much as life in prison.

Spurlin was charged Friday with three more counts of sexual exploitation of a child for possessing images of a child engaging in sexually explicit conduct between July 23, 2021 and March 27, 2023. The charges are the same as the original case, so an identical sentencing range for each charge is 13 months community corrections to 11 years and four months in prison.

Court records show Spurlin has not had preliminary hearings in any of the cases, but is expected to make a plea agreement.

http://peabodykansas.com/direct/plea_deal_expected_in_child_porn_case_+5440plea+506c6561206465616c20657870656374656420696e206368696c6420706f726e206361736520

Operation safe screen: 26 arrests in Luzerne County crackdown on online child predators

by Taylor Whartnaby Tue, July 18th 2023

WILKES-BARRE, LUZERNE COUNTY (WOLF) — State police have a strong message for parents tonight. Monitor who your children are interacting with online.

Today in Luzerne County, they unveiled their findings of operation safe screen, which focused on identifying child predators in hopes of stopping them before they reach their next victim.

A press conference was held here at Troop P with multiple law-enforcement agencies regarding operation safe screen, concentrating their effort in locating child predators on the internet. So far, there have been 26 criminal arrests.

Operation safe screen formed to seek out predators that lure in young children where they can be exploited sexually.

"The operation also focused on individuals who produce and share digital images of juveniles in sexual behavior, commonly known as child pornography," said Michael Carroll, Pennsylvania State Police Major.

Highly trained investigators worked tirelessly from April through June this year.

"This includes over 1,800 counts of felony charges, 15 websites were taken offline for showing child pornography," said Carroll.

"We identified several victims of these crimes, and we have them at a safe location where they get the resources, they need hopefully to better their lives," he added.

Authorities are urging parents and guardians to be vigilante.

"It is an extremely difficult and disturbing assignment when you have to view images of innocent victims when they are being exploited in this manner by these predators," he said.

Internet crimes against Children task force commander Sergeant Ken Bellis says the operation involved cyber tip lines from the national center for missing and exploited children. "Through different companies google, Facebook, Instagram who are required by law to report any concerning activity or illegal contraband they find of their severs," said Sergeant Ken Bellis, Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. Commander.

"And just to give you an idea of how overwhelming the reports are and the volume the reports are, before the pandemic all of Pennsylvania was roughly getting around 5,000-6,000 reports a year," he said.

In a short time since the pandemic, Bellis says they are well over 15,000 for the year.

Those 26 arrests included four juveniles.

Operation Safe Screen

The Pennsylvania State Police has concluded Operation Safe Screen, which involved the coordinated efforts of multiple law enforcement agencies, concentrating their efforts in locating child predators on the internet. The main objectives of Operation Safe Screen included undercover online chatting with child sexual predators and coordinating an in-person meeting, locating possessors of child sexual abuse material files, and locating absconders of Megan's Law registration requirements. This extensive operation ran from April until June of this year. The following agencies took part in this operation: Pennsylvania State Police Troops P, R, and N, PSP NECCU and SECCU, FBI – Williamsport, Kingston Twp Police Department, Hazleton City Police Department, West Hazleton Borough Police Department, Lackawanna County Detective's Office, Luzerne County Detective's Office, Lycoming County Detective's Office, Wayne County Detective's Office, Philadelphia HSI, and the PA Attorney General's Office.

Below are the results of Operation Safe Screen. The Pennsylvania State Police sincerely thanks each of the aforementioned departments for their efforts throughout these investigations.

Daniel Gonzales (DOB 04/12/1980) was arrested on 04/21/2023 in Lackawanna County and charged with Possession of Child Pornography F2 & F3 (110 counts), Dissemination of Child Pornography F3 (50 counts) and Criminal Use of a Communication Facility F3.

Matthew Egbert (DOB 05/23/1977) was arrested on 05/02/2023 in Lehigh County and charged with Possession of Child Pornography F2 & F3 (20 counts), Manufacturing Child Pornography F2 and Criminal Use of a Communication Facility F3.

Lucas Sibly (DOB 04/09/1998) was arrested on 05/11/2023 in Bradford County and charged with Possession of Child Pornography F2 & F3 (27 counts) and Criminal Use of a Communication Facility F3.

Jay Holloway (DOB 09/16/1987) was arrested on 05/17/2023 in Bradford County and charged with Possession of Child Pornography F2 & F3 (100 counts) and Criminal Use of a Communication Facility F3.

Faiz Waiguchu (DOB 07/14/2000) was arrested on 06/13/2023 in Monroe County and charged with Possession of Child Pornography F2 & F3 (35 counts) and Criminal Use of a Communication Facility F3.

Brett Scranta (DOB 07/07/1998) was arrested on 06/14/2023 in Wyoming County and charged with Possession of Child Pornography F2 & F3 (9 counts) and Criminal Use of a Communication Facility F3.

Andrew Neafie (DOB 03/26/1969) was arrested on 04/20/2023 in Luzerne County and charged with Dissemination of Child Pornography F3 (8 counts), Possession of Child pornography F3 (1000 counts), and Criminal Use of a Communication Facility F3 (2 counts).

Nicholas Counterman (DOB 11/07/1997) was arrested on 05/03/2023 in Wayne County and charged with Possession of Child Pornography F3 and Criminal Use of Communication Facility F3.

Damian Kavalkovich (DOB 11/01/2002) was arrested on 06/13/2023 in Wayne County and charged with Dissemination of Child Pornography F3, Possession of Child Pornography F3, and Criminal Use of a Communication Facility F3.

Jahzier Fuller (DOB 03/15/2004) was arrested on 06/20/2023 in Northampton County and charged with Dissemination of Child Pornography F (69 counts), Possession of Child Pornography F (69 counts) and Criminal Use of a Communication Facility F.

Logan McCracken (DOB 03/07/1988) was arrested on 06/09/2023 in Northumberland County and charged with Dissemination of Child Pornography F2, Possession of Child Pornography F2, and Criminal Use of a Communication Facility F2.

Barry Hartman (DOB 10/26/1963) was arrested on 07/11/2023 in Columbia County and charged with Dissemination of Child Pornography F2, Possession of Child Pornography F2 (2 counts), and Criminal Use of a Communication Facility F3.

Patrick Lange (DOB 01/08/1995) was arrested on 04/27/2023 in Lackawanna County and charged with Possession of Child Pornography F3 (2 counts) and Criminal Use of a Communication Facility F3.

James Maxwell (DOB 05/11/1968) was arrested on 05/17/2023 in Bradford County and charged with Dissemination of Child Pornography F3, Possession of Child Pornography F2 and F3 (22 counts), and Criminal Use of a Communication Facility F3.

Robert Steinbacher (DOB 02/20/1938) was arrested on 06/08/2023 in Lycoming County and charged with Possession of Child Pornography F2 and F3 (100 counts).

Brendan Stepp (DOB 05/19/1998) was arrested on 05/18/2023 in Northumberland County and charged with Dissemination of Child Pornography F2 (3 counts) and Possession of Child Pornography F2 (4 counts).

James Torbik (DOB 05/04/1977) was arrested on 04/17/2023 in Luzerne County and charged with Dissemination of Child Pornography F3, Possession of Child Pornography F3 (3 counts), and Criminal Use of a Communication Facility F3.

Nyiem Bibbs (DOB 11/23/2000) was arrested on 05/02/2023 in Luzerne County and charged with Statutory Sexual Assault F2 and Corruption of Minors F3.

Bruce Myers (DOB 12/24/1962) was arrested on 05/04/2023 in Luzerne County and charged with Possession of Child Pornography F2 (2 counts), Criminal Use of a Communication Facility F3, Endangering the Welfare of Children F3 (4 counts), and Recklessly Endangering Another Person M2 (4 counts).

Cheryl Myers (DOB 01/20/1966) was arrested on 05/04/2023 in Luzerne County and charged with Endangering the Welfare of Children F3 (4 counts) and Recklessly Endangering Another Person M2 (4 counts).

Joseph Dowd (DOB 08/13/1976) was arrested on 05/12/2023 in Luzerne County and charged with Possession of Child Pornography F3 (27 counts) and Criminal Use of a Communication Facility F3.

James Casher (DOB 08/14/1984) was arrested in Tioga County and charged with Possession of Child Pornography, Enticement, and Receipt of Child Pornography (Indictment).

https://local 21 news.com/news/local/operation-safe-screen-26-arrests-in-luzerne-county-crackdown-on-online-child-predators

PRESS RELEASE

Dorchester Man Arrested on Child Pornography Charges

Wednesday, November 22, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Massachusetts

Defendant works as an admissions counselor at Northeastern University

BOSTON – A Dorchester man was arrested yesterday for receiving and possessing child sexual abuse material (CSAM) obtained via Zoom chat rooms.

Beau Christopher Benson, 35, was charged with possession and receipt of child pornography. Following an initial appearance in federal court in Boston yesterday before U.S. District Court Magistrate Judge Donald L. Cabell, Benson was detained pending a detention hearing scheduled for 2 p.m. today.

According to the charging documents, in April 2023, law enforcement was notified that Benson allegedly participated in Zoom video chat rooms used to share and view CSAM. It is alleged that Benson recorded his participation in the chat rooms and saved the recordings – which featured videos of CSAM and conversations between Benson and others about the CSAM – to his social media account. It is alleged that approximately 15 video files depicting CSAM were found saved in his Dropbox. It is further alleged that a cybertip identified Benson as an online user who had uploaded two files containing CSAM to a Dropbox account. Specifically, the files allegedly depicted children who appear to be approximately two to four years old.

The charge of receipt of child pornography provides for a mandatory minimum sentence of five years and up to 20 years in federal prison, at least five years and up to a lifetime of supervised release and a fine of up to \$250,000. The charge of possession of child pornography provides for a sentence of up to 10 years in prison, at least five years and up to a lifetime of supervised release and a fine of up to \$250,000. Sentences are imposed by a federal district court judge based upon the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and statutes which govern the determination of a sentence in a criminal case.

Acting United States Attorney Joshua S. Levy and Jodi Cohen, Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Boston Division made the announcement today. Assistant U.S. Attorney David G. Tobin of the Office's Major Crimes Unit is prosecuting the case.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse, launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by the U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the DOJ's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit https://www.justice.gov/psc.

The details contained in the charging documents are allegations. The defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

Updated November 22, 2023

https://www.justice.gov/usao-ma/pr/dorchester-man-arrested-child-pornography-charges#:~:text=BOSTON%20%E2%80%93%20A%20Dorchester%20man%20was,and%20receipt%20of%20child%20pornography.

Child Porn Found On Firefighter's Computer: Sarasota Police

A Manatee County firefighter charged with child porn possession also looked up the age of consent in other countries, Sarasota police said.

Tiffany Razzano, Patch Staff
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SARASOTA, FL — A firefighter in Manatee County was arrested Oct. 24 after child pornography was found on his computer, Sarasota County court records show.

Benjamin Dillon, 54, of Sarasota was charged with one count of child porn possession.

He was a firefighter with West Manatee Fire and Rescue and was arrested by the Manatee County Sheriff's Office at a fire station at 10350 Cortez Road in Bradenton.

The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children sent a cyber tip about suspected child pornography uploaded by Dillon to the Sarasota Police Department, a probable cause affidavit said.

Deputies assigned to the case confirmed that at least one of the three videos referenced in the tip was child pornography. The other two files were videos of young women but they couldn't determine their age, which they said could be anywhere from 14 to 19 years old.

Investigators also found videos of Dillon masturbating both at home and at the fire station on his computer, according to the affidavit.

His search history also included terms associated with child pornography and questions about the age of consent in other countries, police said. https://patch.com/florida/sarasota/child-porn-found-firefighters-computer-sarasota-county-sheriff

Federal grand jury in Oxford indicts man on child pornography possession

June 7, 2023

MONROE COUNTY, Miss. (WCBI) – Monroe County investigators provided an update on a child pornography case.

Joseph **Benjamin Waibel** Joseph Waible was charged with possession of child pornography earlier this year.

He has now been indicted by a federal grand jury in Oxford for accessing and transporting child pornography.

Waible was not eligible for bond.

A court date has not been set.

https://www.wcbi.com/federal-grand-jury-in-oxford-indicts-man-on-child-pornography-possession/

Ellettsville man charged with distributing child porn

by: Matt Christy

Posted: Mar 7, 2023

ELLETTSVILLE, Ind. — An Ellettsville man is under arrest for allegedly distributing child porn.

Billy W. Arnold, 24, is charged with four counts of distribution of child porn as a Level 4 felony and four counts of distribution of child porn as a Level 5 felony.

According to Indiana State Police, Arnold was arrested in early March after cyber tips advised of an unknown individual distributing child porn on Discord and Twitter. State police reportedly connected the social media accounts to Arnold who, at the time, lived in Martinsville.

Police tracked Arnold down to his new residence in Ellettsville and arrested him under charges of distributing child porn.

Arnold is currently being held in the Monroe County Jail. https://fox59.com/news/indycrime/ellettsville-man-charged-with-distributing-child-porn/

Kanawha County Man Pleads Guilty to Child Pornography Crime

PRESS RELEASE

Tuesday, March 7, 2023

For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Southern District of West Virginia

CHARLESTON, W.Va. – **Billy Eggleston**, 50, of St. Albans, pleaded guilty today to production of child pornography.

According to court documents and statements made in court, on March 26, 2020, Eggleston induced a prepubescent minor child to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of photographing such conduct. Eggleston admitted to using his cell phone to take a series of 24 photos of him engaged in sexually explicit conduct with the minor. The sexually explicit photos were taken by Eggleston in his bedroom.

Eggleston transferred the images to his desktop computer. Eggleston admitted to possessing nearly 5,000 videos and images of child pornography on his desktop computer and a memory card on October 21, 2022. Eggleston further admitted that one of these images was of an adult male sexually assaulting a minor female between four and seven years old, and another image was of a minor female between two and four years old subjected to sexually explicit conduct by an adult male.

Eggleston is scheduled to be sentenced on August 3, 2023, and faces a mandatory minimum of 15 years and up to 30 years in prison, five years and up to a lifetime of supervised release, and a \$250,000 fine. Eggleston must also register as a sex offender.

United States Attorney Will Thompson made the announcement and commended the investigative work of the United States Department of Homeland Security, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), the West Virginia State Police and the St. Albans Police Department, and the assistance provided by the Charleston Area Medical Center (CAMC) Children's Advocacy Center.

United States District Judge Irene C. Berger presided over the hearing. Assistant United States Attorney Julie White is prosecuting the case.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by U.S. Attorneys' Offices and CEOS, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc. https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdwv/pr/kanawha-county-man-pleads-guilty-child-pornography-crime-1

Man indicted for sexually related charges with minors

by: Michael Reiner, Patty Coller

Posted: Oct 18, 2023 / 02:36 PM EDT Updated: Oct 18, 2023 / 02:36 PM EDT

WARREN, Ohio (WKBN)- A Warren man has been indicted on sexually related charges involving minors following an investigation by the Mahoning County Human Trafficking Task Force and the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Blake McCormick was indicted on 15 counts of pandering sexually oriented matter involving a minor. He was also charged with one count of illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material or performance.

The alleged crimes happened in April 2023, according to court records. https://www.wkbn.com/news/local-news/warren-news/man-indicted-for-sexually-related-charges-with-minors/#:~:text=Blake%20McCormick%20was%20indicted%20on,nudity%2Doriented%20material%20or%20perform ance

ICAC Investigators Arrest Southern Idaho Man for the Alleged Possession of Sexually Exploitative Material of a Child

Mar 1, 2023 Updated Mar 1, 2023

BUTTE COUNTY - On Tuesday, February 28, 2023, investigators with the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Unit arrested 64-year-old **Bobby L. Hipes**, of Arco, ID, for allegedly possessing sexually exploitative material of a child under the age of 18.

According to a press release from Idaho Attorney General Raul Labrador, Hipes was booked into the Butte County Jail on three felony counts of Possessing Sexually Exploitative Material of a Child. Hipes was arraigned in court Wednesday morning, where Judge Ralph Savage set bond at \$20,000.

"Once again, the ICAC unit has done an incredible job ensuring the safety of the children of Idaho," said AG Labrador. "I am thankful for their dedication to this important work."

The Butte County Sheriff's Office and Butte County Prosecuting Attorney's Office both assisted the ICAC Unit with the arrest.

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Anyone with information regarding the exploitation of children is encouraged to contact local police, the Attorney General's ICAC Unit at 208-947-8700, or the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children at 1-800-843-5678. https://www.bigcountrynewsconnection.com/idaho/icac-investigators-arrest-southern-idaho-man-for-the-alleged-

Lowcountry men arrested on child sexual abuse material charges

Goose Creek man and a North Charleston man have been arrested on a total of 19 charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors.

By Pilar Briggs Published: Apr. 26, 2023

COLUMBIA, S.C. (WCSC) - A Goose Creek man and a North Charleston man have been arrested on a total of 19 charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors.

Bobby L. Knight, 69, of Goose Creek, is charged with one count of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and nine counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, Attorney General's Office spokesman Robert Kittle said.

Zachary Addison Acard, 36, of North Charleston, is charged with three counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and six counts of third-degree sexual exploitation, Kittle said.

The Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force with the Goose Creek Police Department and Charleston County Sheriff's Office made the arrests in these unrelated charges.

Investigators say CyberTipline reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children led them to both Knight and Acard. They say both Knight and Acard distributed and possessed files of child sexual abuse material.

Each count is a felony that carries a maximum sentence upon conviction of 10 years in prison.

In 2015, Acard was previously convicted in New York on related charges, according to a release from the attorney general's office.

The Attorney General's Office will prosecute both of these cases. https://www.live5news.com/2023/04/26/lowcountry-men-arrested-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges/

Woman arrested for possession of child pornography

SEPTEMBER 29, 2023 By Sarah Reyna

29-year-old **Bonnie Louise Marquez** was arrested by the Jim Wells County (JWC) Sheriff's Office on Thursday, Sept. 28. According to Lt. Alan Gonzalez with the JWC Criminal Investigation Division, the Texas State Attorney General's Office had a warrant for her arrest for possession of child pornography.

While local law enforcement did assist in apprehending Marquez, the Attorney General's Office is currently leading this ongoing investigation.

Marquez was booked into the JWC jail on three counts of child pornography. As of Friday afternoon, she still resides in jail with a \$60,000 bond. https://www.alicetx.com/2023/09/29/woman-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography/

Hyrum man arrested for allegedly downloading 'hundreds' of images of child pornography

Written by Will Feelright March 2, 2023

LOGAN — A 58-year-old Hyrum man has been arrested and charged with downloading several hundred images of child pornography on a work computer. **Boyd Clayne Wiser** was booked Wednesday into the Cache County Jail.

According to an arrest report, North Park Police officers began investigating Wiser after a North Logan manufacturing company reported finding "inappropriate images of a young girl in a sexual position" on his computer. A manager at the company discovered the pictures while transferring files from the suspect's computer to an external hard drive.

The manager told officers that Wiser was the only person who had access to the computer. The files had been encrypted with a "very difficult password," charging documents stated.

The computer was turned over to a forensics laboratory for analysis. Lab technicians later reported finding "over 400 images that appeared to be child erotica or related to child pornography," according to law enforcement's probable cause affidavit.

Police officers questioned Wiser on Wednesday. He reportedly admitted to having the files on his work computer.

Prosecutors with the Cache County Attorney's Office charged Wiser with 30 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, a second-degree felony. Each charge carries a possible prison term of up to 15 years and a fine of up to \$10,000, if found guilty.

According to jail records, Wiser is being held temporarily without bail. He will likely be arraigned Friday morning in 1st District Court.

Individuals arrested and charged in complaints are presumed innocent unless or until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in court.

https://www.cachevalleydaily.com/news/archive/2023/03/02/hyrum-man-arrested-for-allegedly-downloading-hundreds-of-images-of-child-pornography/#.ZB3KaHbMKUl

A Cyber Tip Leads to Arrest of Dubois County Man for Child Pornography

May 27, 2023

A cyber tip provided by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) has led to the apprehension of a Dubois County man on charges of possessing and disseminating child pornography.

Detectives from the Indiana State Police – Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) task force in Jasper initiated an investigation in March 2023 following a cyber tip report received from the NCMEC. The report flagged a specific account that was suspected of transmitting child pornography images or videos.

Based on the information gathered during their investigation, the detectives sought a search warrant from the Dubois County Circuit Court. Consequently, on Wednesday, May 24, 2023, members of the Indiana Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and Jasper Police executed the search warrant at a residence in Jasper, Indiana.

During the search, investigators discovered incriminating evidence, leading to the arrest of **Bradley Atkins**, a resident of Jasper. Atkins was taken into custody without incident and subsequently transported to the Dubois County jail.

Atkins now faces multiple charges, including possession of child pornography involving children under the age of 12. Each count carries a Level 5 felony classification, emphasizing the severity of the offenses.

The investigation remains ongoing, with the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force spearheading the case. The Indiana State Police and the Jasper Police Department have provided crucial assistance in this operation.

Law enforcement agencies continue to prioritize the protection of vulnerable children and combat the dissemination of child pornography. The collaborative efforts between the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, the Indiana State Police, and local authorities serve as a testament to their unwavering commitment to safeguarding children from exploitation and holding offenders accountable.

https://www.wamwamfm.com/2023/05/27/a-cyber-tip-leads-to-arrest-of-dubois-county-man-for-child-pornography/

Alabama man charged with distributing child pornography

November 15, 2023 By Courtney Goins

FORT PAYNE, Ala. (WDEF) — A DeKalb County, Alabama man has been arrested for distributing child pornography.

The sheriff's office arrested 40-year-old **Bradley Ray Hancock** of Fyffe.

They charged him with seven counts of dissemination of child pornography.

The DeKalb County Sheriff's Office learned about the incident on November 9, 2023. The Alabama Law Enforcement Agency's Internet Crimes Against Children task force and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children alerted the sheriff's office.

DeKalb authorities said Hancock was distributing these images through social media platform KIK.

Sheriff Nick Welden made a statement on the arrest:

"I am thankful for the continued partnership between the DeKalb County Sheriff's Investigations Unit, the ICAC, and the NCMEC. Bringing cases of this nature to a close is of the highest priority at our office. I'm proud of our investigators and the hard work they perform daily on these types of cases as well as all cases they work." https://www.wdef.com/alabama-man-charged-with-distributing-child-pornography/

New information released in child porn arrest

Brandon Messick Dec 26, 2023 Updated Dec 27, 2023

A Lake Havasu City man is now awaiting trial on multiple counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, following his arrest last week at his home on Sand Dab Drive. Now, police have released additional information in their investigation.

The case began on July 29, when files flagged as suspected child pornography were uploaded to an internet data storage service. Those files were reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The organization filed a report with the Arizona Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, which identified a mobile device as having uploaded the alleged files - with a phone number associated with that device. According to police, that number belonged to 50-year-old suspect, **Brady L. Busby**.

https://www.havasunews.com/news/new-information-released-in-child-porn-arrest/article_3b8389ac-a444-11ee-a7a8-675277c11fd2.html

BRANDON EHRISMAN WAS SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS FOR DISTRIBUTION AND POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

Wicomico County, MD – On May 16, 2023, **Brandon Ehrisman**, age 35, of Delmar, Maryland, pleaded guilty to Distribution of Child Pornography and two counts of Possession of Child Pornography before the Honorable W. Newton Jackson, a senior Judge of the Circuit Court for Wicomico County.

Judge Jackson sentenced Ehrisman to an active sentence of ten (10) years of incarceration, with five (5) years suspended. Ehrisman will be placed on five (5) years of supervised probation upon his release, with specialized sex offender supervision.

He will also have to register as a Tier II sex offender, which is a twenty-five (25) year term of registration.

At the time, Ehrisman was on supervised probation in Worcester County, Maryland, for a conviction of Sexual Solicitation of a Minor. This conviction will serve to violate his probation in the Worcester County case.

On December 7, 2022, members of the Maryland State Police received a report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that 25-videos depicting child pornography had been distributed to another user on the internet through use of the KiK messenger application.

Through investigation, law enforcement was able to track use of the KiK messenger account through its IP address to Ehrisman's residence in Wicomico County, Maryland.

Further, law enforcement executed a search and seizure warrant and was able to obtain the contents of the suspect KiK messenger account. Law enforcement identified the account that distributed the child pornography as belonging to Ehrisman due to the fact that, amongst the videos of child pornography, Ehrisman had likewise uploaded pictures of his face and genitalia utilizing the application.

Wicomico County State's Attorney (SA) Jamie L. Dykes commended Sgt. R. Watkins of the Maryland State Police, who was the lead investigator, for his work

in the investigation. SA Dykes also commended Assistant State's Attorney Michael Calabrese, who prosecuted the case.

https://easternshoreundercover.com/brandon-ehrisman-was-sentenced-to-10-years-for-distribution-and-possession-of-child-pornography/

Tag: Fargo Man Facing Child Porn Charges

Published October 17, 2023By TRF News

FARGO, ND (trfnews.i234.me) A Fargo Man is facing Child Porn charges.

Brandon Taylor Morrison from Fargo was charged with possession of child pornography.

The investigation started with a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children to the North Dakota BCI.

A subpoena of Morrison's phone found photos and videos of adults engaged in sexual acts with children.

Morrison is facing two felony accounts of possession of certain materials prohibited.

Each of the charges is a class C felony that carries a maximum sentence of 5 years.

Brandon Taylor Morrison, a resident of Fargo, has been charged with possession of child pornography. The charges were filed after the North Dakota BCI received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. A subpoena of Morrison's phone revealed photos and videos of adults engaged in sexual acts with children. Morrison is facing two felony accounts of possession of prohibited materials and each of the charges carries a maximum sentence of 5 years.

Bullet Summary:

Brandon Taylor Morrison of Fargo charged with possession of child pornography Investigation started with a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children- A subpoena of Morrison's phone found photos and videos of adults engaged in sexual acts with children.

Morrison facing two felony accounts of possession of prohibited materials with a maximum sentence of 5 years

https://trfnews.i234.me/wordpress/tag/fargo-man-facing-child-porn-charges/

Possession of Child Pornography Arrest

Posted on: May 11, 2023

In late March of this year, the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Division received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding a subject in the Humboldt County area suspected of possessing more than 50 images depicting child pornography.

Through a lengthy investigation, the suspect was identified as **Brandon Markus Allen Sampanes**, age 31, of McKinleyville. During the course of the investigation, it was discovered that Sampanes was in possession of additional images and videos depicting child pornography.

On May 11, 2023, at about 7:00 a.m., Investigators with the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Division served a Search Warrant and Arrest Warrant at a residence in the 1100 block of Killdeer Rd. in McKinleyville. Sampanes was arrested without incident. Based upon statements and evidence located during service of the Search Warrant, Investigators confirmed that Sampanes was the person in possession of the child pornography.

Sampanes was booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on felony charges of Possession of Child Pornography (PC 311.11(c)(1)). The case is being submitted to the Humboldt County District Attorney's Office for prosecution.

Anyone with information about this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to call the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office at (707) 445-7251 or the Sheriff's Office Crime Tip line at (707) 268-2539.

https://humboldtgov.org/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=5182

The Demand Project says two recent Tulsa child porn arrests are drop in bucket of nationwide problem

John Asebes Nov 1, 2023

TULSA, Okla. — Former Tulsa firefighter Courtney Robinson is charged with manufacturing child porn and peeping tom.

FOX23 spoke with Jamie Miller, Donor Development and Funding Coordinator at The Demand Project, a shelter that helps victims who have been exploited.

"Unfortunately I am not shocked," Jaime Miller said.

According to court documents, Robinson installed spy cameras throughout his entire home claiming they were surveillance, but records say he was filming people in his home. Documents say there could be hundreds of files between Aug. 8 and Aug. 13.

Records say he recorded 15 adults and 10 young people.

Miller said there's only one word for it.

"Pornography," she said.

In another case, **Brendan Rhoden** was charged with child sexual exploitation. Among the disturbing content found, records say there were 400 images and 49 videos of children believed to be under 12 engaging in sexual activity.

"At this point what I believe is going into 2024, it is not just about the groomers and pedophiles and predators, society is now grooming our children," Miller said.

Neither case surprises Miller.

"We are losing as a society," she said.

She said nationwide, 80,000 tips are sent in for child sexual abuse material each day with 50,000 files of sexual abuse materials downloaded every single minute.

"The Demand Project was created to disrupt the demand for sex with children to defund it," Miller said. If we don't have a demand, we don't have a supply."

Without taking the blame off predators, she is putting pressure on parents to rethink who they can trust.

"Who is a safe adult?" she said.

She is also stressing to parents to reexamine the amount of trust they put in their children with phones.

"We believe online enticement is preventable," Miller said. "Sex trafficking is preventable, if we can educate children on the signs of a predator but also educating parents on how to safeguard their kids and have the right boundaries with a cell phone."

She said crimes like these are so new and rapidly growing, it's hard to even track how often it's happening to Oklahoma children.

https://www.fox23.com/news/local/the-demand-project-says-two-recent-tulsa-child-porn-arrests-are-drop-in-bucket-of/article_c6d6120a-7900-11ee-be43-27b831cfe89d.html

GBI Operation "Happy New Year" Leads to the Arrest of 11 Child Exploitation Offenders

February 01, 2023

Decatur, GA (February 1, 2023) – The GBI's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes (CEACC) Unit and the GBI's Special Enforcement Team (SET) partnered from January 23-26, 2023, to execute multiple residential search warrants on unrelated child exploitation investigations. The operation was the result of months of planning and was named operation "Happy New Year". The CEACC Unit, the host agency for Georgia's Internet Crimes Against Children's Task Force, executed a total of 17 search warrants in Clayton, DeKalb, Newton, Spalding, Gwinnett, and Fulton Counties during this four-day period. As a result, eleven individuals were arrested and charged with Child Exploitation offenses. The cases involved CyberTips received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, individuals using computer peer-to-peer file sharing networks for the collection and dissemination of Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM), and individuals engaged in sexually explicit or obscene internet contact with a child. As a result of the search warrants, over 230 digital devices were previewed on scene by GBI digital forensic investigators assigned to the CEACC unit. Many of these devices were seized and will be subjected to full digital forensic processing which will likely result in more arrests.

The following individuals were arrested during Operation Happy New Year:

Sudesh Rajkoomar, age 26, arrested in Newton County for Sexual Exploitation of Children (3counts).

Jeoffrey Jenkins, age 18, arrested in Dekalb County for Sexual Exploitation of Children (2 counts).

Miguel Castillo, age 45, arrested in Clayton County for Sexual Exploitation of Children (1 count).

Brent Felix, age 50, arrested in Dekalb County for Sexual Exploitation of Children (4 counts).

Joshua Casey, age 37, arrested in Clayton County for Sexual Exploitation of Children (1 count).

Timothy Smallwood, age 41, arrested in Spalding County for Obscene Internet Contact with a Child (12 counts).

Louis Belgio, age 56, arrested in Clayton County Sexual Exploitation of Children (3 counts).

Omalin Jahir Perez-Carrasco, age 24, arrested in Clayton County for Sexual Exploitation of Children (3 counts).

La'Quantay Stevens, age 23, arrested in Dekalb County for Sexual Exploitation of Children (5 counts).

James Burns, Jr. age 62, arrested in Gwinnett County for Sexual Exploitation of Children (8 counts).

Jesus Mireles-Aguilar, age 25, arrested in Fulton County for Sexual Exploitation of Children (7 counts).

Those arrested were taken to the county jail where the arrests took place. The GBI was assisted in Operation Happy New Year by the Gwinnett County Police Department, the Newton County Sheriff's Office, the Spalding County Sheriff's Office, the DeKalb County Police Department, the Atlanta Police Department, Clayton County Police Department, and Homeland Security Investigations.

Operation "Happy New Year" is part of the ongoing effort by the Georgia Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, housed within the GBI's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit, to identify those involved in the child pornography trade. The ICAC Program, created by the U. S. Department of Justice, was developed in response to the increasing number of children and teenagers using the Internet, the proliferation of child pornography, and the heightened online activity by predators searching for unsupervised contact with underage victims.

Anyone with information about these cases or other cases of child exploitation is asked to contact the Georgia Bureau of Investigation Child Exploitation Unit at 404-270-8870 or report via the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children CyberTipline at CyberTipline.org.

https://gbi.georgia.gov/press-releases/2023-02-01/gbi-operation-happy-new-year-leads-arrest-11-child-exploitation-offenders

Centralia Police make another child pornography arrest

By WJBD Staff May 9, 2023

A 19-year-old Centralia man has been arrested for possession of child pornography.

Brent Morris of East Calumet was taken into custody at his home Monday night following an investigation that began in December when the Center for Missing and Exploited Children allegedly captured a snap chat that showed a video of a person under the age of 18 engaged in a sex act.

The information was sent to the Illinois Attorney General Task Force and investigated by Jefferson County Sheriff's Department Detective Bobby Wallace. Search warrants were reportedly issued for Morris' electronic devices where other videos of minors involved in sex acts were allegedly found.

Centralia Police Administrative Lieutenant Steve Whritenour says there appears to be no connection between Morris and another Centralia teen arrested over the weekend on child pornography charges.

https://southernillinoisnow.com/2023/05/09/centralia-police-make-another-child-pornography-arrest/

Centralia teen charged with nine counts of Class X child pornography

By Bruce Kropp May 8, 2023

An 18-year-old Centralia man has been charged in Marion County Court with nine counts of Class X child pornography.

In each of the counts, **Brett Page** of Edgebrook Lane is accused of transferring an image from the servers of Mega that showed a female child under the age of 13 in a sexual act.

Bond for Page was set at \$100,000 and a public defender was appointed to represent him. If released on bond, Page was ordered to have no unsupervised contact with minors, and no access to the internet unless supervised by the school. A preliminary hearing is set for May 23rd.

The case was developed by Jefferson County Detective Bobby Wallace after the Center for Exploited Missing Children intercepted an inappropriate image via Snap Chat Messenger and the case was turned over to the Illinois Attorney General Task Force.

A search warrant was then obtained for Page's electronic devices where the nine images charged in the court document were apparently recovered. https://southernillinoisnow.com/2023/05/08/centralia-teen-charged-with-nine-counts-of-class-x-child-pornography/

Pelham man faces felony charges for possession of child sex abuse images, police say

Mar 2, 2023 MADISON, N.H. —

A yearlong child sex abuse images investigation has landed a Pelham man in jail.

Pelham police said **Bretton Crawford**, 30, faces 13 felony counts of possession of child sex abuse images.

Back in late December, police said they got a search warrant for his Pelham home where they said they gathered evidence.

An arrest warrant was granted and on Wednesday, Crawford was arrested in Madison.

He's now being held at Valley Street Jail until his arraignment. https://www.wmur.com/article/pelham-man-charges-child-sex-abuse-images-new-hampshire-323/43151618#

South Carolina man faces child sex crime charges, officials say

Apr 26, 2023

Janice Limon Social Media Executive Producer

BELTON, S.C. —

A South Carolina father is facing at least four charges of child sexual exploitation, deputies said Wednesday.

Shale Remien, with the Anderson County Sheriff's Office, said **Brian Patrick Baum**, 37, of Belton, is charged with four counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor for possessing/distributing material.

Remien said Baum was arrested on March 23 after a warrant was served at his home Cox Lake Road.

She said investigators found several pieces of evidence linking Baum to child sexual abuse material.

"At least three cyber tips submitted to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children waved a red flag regarding Baum and his online activity," Remien said.

Some of the material Baum viewed includes victims between 6 and 13 years old, according to investigators.

"As of writing, there is no evidence suggesting any local victims," Remien said, but the investigation continues.

"We've put an end to the possibility of him revictimizing the children that are seen in the images and videos by stopping him from being able to continue distributing the images and videos," Detective Melanie Shovey said. "The discovery allows us to protect potential future victims as well."

Baum is currently awaiting trial and will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

https://www.wyff4.com/article/kids-hair-cut-goes-viral/45213228

Lexington County men arrested for internet crimes against children

Posted Monday, January 9, 2023 5:56 pm By Jordan Lawrence

The state Attorney General's Office announced the arrest of two Lexington County men on child sex abuse material charges.

Per a release, **Brian Andrew Brown**, 18 of West Columbia, and Nathan Allen Miller, 32 of Cayce, were arrested on Dec. 28 and 29, respectively, on six total charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors.

"Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force investigators with the Lexington County Sheriff's Department made the arrests in these unrelated cases," the release states, noting that Investigators with the Attorney General's Office, also a member of the task force, assisted in the investigations.

"Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, which led them to both Brown and Miller. Investigators state Brown distributed files of child sexual abuse material and Miller was in possession of child sexual abuse material."

Brown is charged with two counts of second degree sexual exploitation of a minor, punishable by up to 10 years in prison on each count.

Miller is charged with four counts of third degree sexual exploitation of a minor, punishable by up to 10 years in prison on each count.

Both cases will be prosecuted by the state Attorney General's Office.

"Child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, is a more accurate reflection of the material involved in these heinous and abusive crimes," the release notes. "'Pornography' can imply the child was a consenting participant. Globally, the term child pornography is being replaced by CSAM for this reason." https://www.lexingtonchronicle.com/stories/lexington-county-men-arrested-for-internet-crimes-against-children,38182

Child Porn, Solicitation Charges Filed Against DC Man In Fairfax Case

A 48-year-old man Washington, D.C. man is facing charges of solicitation of a minor and one count of the production of child pornography.

Michael O'Connell, Patch Staff Posted Mon, Dec 11, 2023 at 10:21 am ET

FAIRFAX, VA — A 48-year-old man from Washington, D.C., faces multiple criminal charges in connection with his solicitation of a minor and seeking other victims, according to Fairfax County Police.

Detectives began their investigation after parents notified them their child had been communicating with someone called "Alex" on Snapchat. They also reported receiving multiple illicit images from the suspect and that "Alex" was trying to set up a meeting at a nearby shopping center with their child.

Following the suspect's digital footprints, investigators identified D.C. resident **Brian Dolan** as a suspect in the case. They were also able to identify him via a surveillance video and the devices he had used for the solicitation.

On Dec. 7, Fairfax Police detectives and members of the Metropolitan Washington Airport Authority Police Department took Dolan into custody after he arrived at an area airport. Police charged him with solicitation of a minor and one count of production of child pornography. Dolan was then held without bond at the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

Investigators believe there may be more victims in this case. Police ask anyone who has information about this incident or unreported incidents involving Dolan to contact FCPD's Major Crimes Bureau at 703-246-7800, option 3. Tips can also be submitted anonymously through Crime Solvers by phone – 1-866-411-TIPS (866-411-8477), and by web. Download the 'P3 Tips' App "Fairfax Co Crime Solvers."

Anonymous tipsters are eligible for a cash reward. Please leave contact information if you wish for a detective to follow up with you.

Victim specialists from our Major Crimes Bureau's Victim Services Division have been assigned to ensure the victim is receiving appropriate resources and assistance.

https://patch.com/virginia/fairfaxcity/child-porn-solicitation-charges-filed-against-dc-man-fairfax-case

Colonie man arrested on child pornography charges, say NYSP

by WRGB STAFF Thu, April 27th, 2023

COLONIE, NY (WRGB) — State Police say they have arrested a Colonie man, accused of possessing child pornography.

Brian Fitzgerald, 53, was arrested on April 27th, following a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, according to State Police.

He was taken into custody following the execution of a search warrant at his home.

Fitzgerald was charged with promoting a sexual performance of a child. He was arraigned and released on his own recognizance.

https://cbs6albany.com/news/local/colonie-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges-say-nysp

Two men arrested in connection to sexual exploitation of a minor charges

By Pilar Briggs

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CHARLESTON COUNTY, S.C. (WCSC) - The South Carolina Attorney General's Office says two men are facing up to nine charges in total in connection to sexual exploitation of minors.

Brian James Hartung, 32, of Mount Pleasant, was arrested on Monday and charged with five counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, Attorney General's Office spokesman Robert Kittle said. The offense is punishable by up to 10 years in prison on each count.

Matthew Iray Thaddie Myers, 33, of Reevesville was arrested on Oct. 26 and charged with four counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, Kittle said. The offense is punishable by up to 10 years in prison on each count. Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Investigators with the Mount Pleasant Police Department and Dorchester County Sheriff's Office made the arrests in these unrelated cases, Kittle said.

He said investigators received reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children which led to both Myers and Hartung. Investigators said that Hartung possessed child sexual abuse material and Myers distributed files of child sexual abuse material.

Hartung was being held at the Al Cannon Detention Center and has been released.

https://www.live5news.com/2023/11/02/two-men-arrested-connection-sexual-exploitation-minor-charges/

Man arrested after police find child pornography on Google Drive

By Lydian Kennin

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MEMPHIS, Tenn. (WMC) - A man has been arrested and charged after Memphis police say they found child pornography on his Google Drive.

Police say that on July 16, 2022, the Memphis Police Department received a series of complaints from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children regarding child pornography.

Police say these complaints originated from Google after the company discovered a large number of files that it considered to be "apparent child pornography" within its Google Drive and Google Photos platforms. In total, 600 photos and videos were reported and submitted to law enforcement.

Police say 16 images depicted children engaged in various sex acts and were uploaded by a Google user under the name of **Brian Howland**.

Subpoenaed records revealed that the IP addresses used to access the Google account were linked to the address of Brian Thomas Howland, 56, in Memphis.

Investigators executed a search warrant for the Google account, which yielded additional child sexual exploitation imagery. The total number of findings was not disclosed.

A warrant was issued for Howland's arrest on Tuesday. He was booked the same day on a charge of sexual exploitation of a minor.

Howland is being held on a \$5,000 bond and is scheduled to appear in court on Thursday.

https://www.actionnews5.com/2023/03/15/man-arrested-after-police-find-child-pornography-google-drive/

26 suspects arrested across Georgia on child pornography-related charges

By Austin Eller News Director Posted 9:58AM on Thursday 31st August 2023 (2 months ago)

26 people were recently arrested on child pornography-related charges across the state of Georgia, including several in the northeast Georgia area.

According to a press release from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, the 26 suspects were arrested over 11 days in an operation known as "Operation Sneaky Peach."

The statewide, multi-jurisdictional effort worked to identify and arrest suspects in technology-facilitated crimes against children. The operation involved three months of planning.

"Proactive investigations consisted of targeting peer-to-peer network users sharing Child Sexual Abuse Material, commonly known as child pornography, and undercover chat investigations targeting those that communicate with and arrange to meet what is believed to be a child for the purpose of engaging in sexual acts," the press release reads. "Reactive investigations consisted of working CyberTips received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that involved the possession, distribution, and/or manufacturing of CSAM."

Law enforcement agencies executed 34 residential search warrants and three additional enforcement actions in 28 counties across Georgia. Digital forensic investigators previewed 296 electronic devices on scene and seized 281 electronic devices.

Operation Sneaky Peach found 26 children who were living in homes where online child sexual exploitation was occurring. Four arrested also admitted to current or prior hands-on sexual offenses against a child.

Those arrested in the northeast Georgia area included the following:

William Ellis, 33, of Cleveland (White County)
Russell Summerville, 38, of Athens (Clarke County)
Douglas Strong, 64, of Auburn (Barrow County)
Bennie House, 35, of East Ellijay (Gilmer County)

Paul Angel, 70, of Danielsville (Madison County) Trent Bailey, 33, of Hartwell (Hart County)

Jesse Kelley, 31, of Talking Rock (Pickens County)

David Latta, 52, of Lawrenceville (Gwinnett County)

The following people were arrested elsewhere in the state:

Randy Ho, 22, of Forest Park (Clayton County)

Jeffery Lynn, 51, of Rossville (Walker County)

Michael Beane, 58, of Waycross (Ware County)

James Lail, 48, of Macon (Jones County)

Jeremy Gunn, 33, of Fayetteville (Fayette County)

Thaddeus Anderson, 34, of Canton (Cherokee County)

Jimmy Evans, 65, of Milledgeville (Baldwin County)

Brian Jones, 38, of Roopville (Heard County)

Ethan Cook, 18, of Canton (Cherokee County)

Carl Hill, 42, of Cartersville (Bartow County)

Damian Wright, 22, of Acworth (Bartow County)

Dustin Bohrer, 39, of St. Simons Island (Glynn County)

Carey William Wiley Lewis, 35, of Savannah (Chatham County)

Christopher Williams, 37, of Hinesville (Liberty County)

Kieran Michael O'Connor, 31, of Hinesville (Liberty County)

Trevious Murrell, 35, of Americus (Sumter County)

Zachary Mitchell Allen, 40, of Decatur (DeKalb County)

In addition to those listed, one offender was a minor and was served with a juvenile complaint.

More arrests may be forthcoming once forensic processing of the seized electronic devices is completed.

The following Georgia Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force affiliate agencies participated in the operation:

Athens-Clarke County Police Department

Barrow County Sheriff's Office

Bartow County Sheriff's Office

Bryan County Sheriff's Office

Candler County Sheriff's Office

Camden County Sheriff's Office

Cherokee County Sheriff's Office

Fayette County Sheriff's Office

Federal Bureau of Investigation Georgia Bureau of Investigation Georgia State Patrol Gilmer County Sheriff's Office Gwinnett County Police Department Gwinnett County Sheriff's Office Hall County Sheriff's Office Heard County Sheriff's Office Homeland Security Investigations Houston County Sheriff's Office Jones County Sheriff's Office Naval Criminal Investigative Service Polk County Police Department Richmond County Sheriff's Office Rincon Police Department St. Mary's Police Department **United States Secret Service**

"This investigation is part of the ongoing effort by the Georgia Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, housed within the GBI Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit, to identify those involved in the trading of Child Sexual Abuse Material," the press release said. "The ICAC Program, created by the U.S. Department of Justice, was developed in response to the increasing number of children and teenagers using the Internet, the proliferation of CSAM and the heightened online activity by predators searching for unsupervised contact with underage victims."

Anyone with information about these cases, or other cases of child exploitation, is asked to contact the Georgia Bureau of Investigation Child Exploitation Unit at (404) 270-8870.

Anonymous tips can also be submitted by calling 1 (800) 597-8477, online at https://gbi.georgia.gov/submit-tips-online, or by downloading the See Something, Send Something mobile app.

https://accesswdun.com/print/2023/8/1201941/31-people-arrested-across-georgia-on-child-pornography-related-charges1

60-year-old male arrested for Sexual Exploitation of a Child

May 1, 2023

Boulder County, Colo. - On May 1, 2023, 60-year-old **Brian KISH** was arrested for possessing child sexual abuse material (CSAM). Kish resides in the 1300 block of S Elmoro Ct in the Town of Superior.

The investigation began after the Colorado Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force received information about the possession of CSAM from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). A search warrant was executed on April 20, 2023, at Kish's residence where additional evidence was located.

Boulder County Sheriff's Office houses local members of Colorado ICAC task force, comprised of Boulder County Digital Forensics Lab investigators from Boulder County Sheriff's Office, Longmont Department of Public Safety, Boulder Police Department and Boulder County District Attorney's Office. In addition to other responsibilities, investigators assigned to the Boulder County Digital Forensics Lab are tasked with investigating child sexual exploitation cases and high technology crimes, plus digital forensics expertise and analysis on a wide range of cases.

Kish was booked into the Boulder County Jail on an arrest warrant with no bond for seven counts of §18-6-403(3)(b.5), Sexual exploitation of a child-possession, Class 5 Felonies. Kish has since been released on a \$20,000 personal recognizance bond.

The associated Boulder County Sheriff's Office case number is 22-05260.

Agencies who assisted with this investigation include the Boulder County Sheriff's Office, Boulder County District Attorney's Office, Boulder Police Department, and the Longmont Department of Public Safety.

About ICAC:

The Colorado Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC), is a group of local and federal law enforcement agencies, as well as prosecutors located in and around the state of Colorado who are trained and dedicated to protecting children online by investigating and prosecuting crimes committed against

children, facilitated by the internet, technology, and computer usage. Colorado ICAC is a member of the National ICAC Task Force. If you suspect a child is being sexually exploited online, you can report it online (link is external) or by calling 1-800-THE-LOST. https://bouldercounty.gov/news/60-year-old-male-arrested-for-sexual-exploitation-of-a-child/

Evansville man facing felony child sex crime charges

Adam Kight Dec 15, 2023 Updated Dec 15, 2023

EVANSVILLE, Ind. (WEVV) — An Evansville man was arrested and booked into the Vanderburgh County Jail on multiple felony child sex crime charges.

Jail records show 39-year-old **Brian Shiver** was booked on multiple counts of child exploitation and possession of child porn.

According to an affidavit, the investigation started back in 2019 when authorities received information from a social networking site about a user sending sexually explicit files believed to involve minors.

Police say the name on the user's account was Brian Shiver, and that other details from the profile such as a birthday and phone number led back to Brian Shiver in Evansville.

Investigators say they got a search warrant for the account, which showed Shiver receiving and sending files with another user over the course of several months.

Police say they were able to identify Shiver from a previous arrest mugshot, and match them with other photos of him.

In November of 2023, police say they interviewed Shiver's family member, who told them Shiver was currently at a convention in Illinois that involved "furries." They say they also asked if Shiver had an interest in My Little Pony because of the profile picture on the reported account, and that the family member told them he did.

After that, police said that multiple attempts to interview Shiver were unsuccessful, but records show he was booked into jail just before 1 a.m. Friday.

Shiver is being held on a \$20,000 bond.

https://www.wevv.com/news/crime/evansville-man-facing-felony-child-sex-crime-charges/article_cc6fe754-9b56-11ee-b6bc-bbc5dbe511a6.html

ATTORNEY GENERAL RAOUL CHARGES FAIRFIELD MAN WITH CHILD PORNOGRAPHY POSSESSION

June 23, 2023

Chicago – Attorney General Kwame Raoul today announced the Attorney General's office has charged a Wayne County man with alleged possession of child pornography. The case is part of Raoul's ongoing work, in collaboration with federal law enforcement agencies and local law enforcement officials throughout Illinois, to apprehend offenders who download and trade child pornography online.

Raoul's office charged **Brian J Wallace**, 53, of Fairfield, Illinois, in Wayne County Circuit Court with 11 counts of possession of child pornography, Class 2 felonies each punishable by up to seven years in prison. Wallace's bond was set at \$500,000.

"Child pornography is a reprehensible crime. Individuals in possession of these horrific images must be held accountable to ensure innocent children are protected from exploitation that can potentially leave life-long emotional scars," Raoul said. "These charges highlight the vital efforts of my office's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, which works tirelessly to identify and track down individuals who exploit children."

Raoul's investigators, with the assistance of the Wayne County Sheriff's office, conducted a search of Wallace's residence in the 1900 block of IL Highway 15 in Fairfield and arrested him after discovering evidence of child pornography.

"I was contacted by investigators with the Illinois Attorney General's office about assisting them in the execution of a search warrant and arrest of a suspect for crimes involving child pornography in Wayne County," Wayne County Sheriff Chris Otey said. "The operation was successful, and my office was happy to assist. The Wayne County Sheriff's office stands ready to assist the Illinois Attorney General's office in any way we can to help prevent these types of heinous crimes involving children."

Attorney General Raoul's office is partnering with Wayne County State's Attorney Kevin Kakac's office to prosecute the case.

"Experts within the Attorney General's office have been working on this case with us," Kakac said. "We welcome their expertise and assistance in investigation and prosecution to hold the defendant accountable and help keep our community safe from child exploitation."

The case is part of Attorney General Raoul's work to investigate and prosecute child pornographers in Illinois. Raoul's office, with a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, runs the Illinois Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force that investigates child exploitation crimes and trains law enforcement agencies. The task force receives CyberTips, or online reports of child pornography, from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Over the last several years, CyberTipline reports have steadily increased. In 2022, reports to the ICAC increased by 26% over 2021.

Illinois' ICAC Task Force is one of 61 ICAC task forces throughout the country and is comprised of a network of more than 175 local, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies. Since 2019, the Attorney General's ICAC Task Force has received more than 30,400 CyberTips and has been involved in more than 485 arrests of sexual predators. Since 2006, the Attorney General's ICAC Task Force has been involved in more than 1,958 arrests of sexual predators. The task force also has provided internet safety training and education to more than 1 million parents, teachers and students, in addition to more than 23,844 law enforcement professionals.

Raoul reminds the public that online child sexual exploitation can be reported at www.cybertipline.com, and child abuse can be reported at dcfsonlinereporting.dcfs.illinois.gov. In addition, local child advocacy centers can be found at www.childrensadvocacycentersofillinois.org.

The public is reminded the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Bureau Chief David Haslett and Assistant Attorney General Jenifer Peck are handling the case for Raoul's High Tech Crimes Bureau.

https://www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/news/story/attorney-general-raoul-charges-fairfield-man-with-child-pornography-possession

Baltimore County man arrested for sexual solicitation of a 15-year-old girl in Frederick County

by Tiffany Watson, WBFF Digital Team Fri, November 17th 2023

MARYLAND (WBFF) — Police say a Baltimore County man was charged with soliciting sex from a teen girl in Frederick County.

On November 16, a Frederick County Sheriff's Office detective, along with a Homeland Security Investigations agent successfully arrested **Brian Williams**, age 37, of Middle River, on three separate counts of sexual solicitation of a minor, one count of third-degree sex offense, and one count of displaying obscene material to a minor.

"This is the second male 'traveler' within a week that we have removed from the streets," said Lt. Andy Crone, FCSO Criminal Investigations Section commander. "These individuals will travel miles to perform these heinous crimes and our detectives will do whatever it takes to stop them. I am proud of the work our deputy and the HSI agent did to bring this suspect in."

Officials say on October 30, a FCSO detective received CyberTips that a 15-year-old girl was sexually involved with an adult man later identified as Williams.

During the investigation, there were multiple messages of Williams soliciting the victim for sex acts, exchanging explicit images, and having sexual intercourse with the victim in Frederick County.

Law enforcement successfully interviewed Williams in Anne Arundel County and then arrested him without incident.

Maryland State Police transported Williams to the Anne Arundel County Detention Center for booking.

https://foxbaltimore.com/news/local/baltimore-county-man-charged-with-soliciting-sex-from-15-year-old-girl-in-frederick-county

Police: Child porn tip leads to discovery of family living in 'deplorable conditions'

by: Vivian Muniz

Posted: May 5, 2023

DALLAS BOROUGH, LUZERNE COUNTY (WBRE/WYOU) — A couple in Luzerne County's Back Mountain were arrested when detectives said they raided their home after being alerted to alleged child pornography by a cyber tip, which led to the discovery of a house in deplorable conditions and what investigators called the "worst stench ever".

According to the affidavit, on multiple occasions beginning in March, law enforcement was contacted for child pornography downloads with the address tracing back to a house on Machell Avenue in Dallas Borough where **Bruce Myers**, 60, and Cheryl Myers, 58, lived.

On May 4, police said multiple police agencies executed a search warrant on the residence and once they went inside, they were met with the "worst stench ever." Investigators stated they found the home filled with dirty clothing, dog and cat feces, old food, a non-working refrigerator, and doors that would not open due to excessive amounts of garbage.

According to court documents, four children were living in the home, and one child was found sleeping, naked, "in and on top of garbage with nothing more than a dirty comforter." Detectives also noted they "could not help but notice how many flies were flying inside the home".

Bruce told investigators he and his wife spoke about the condition of the house, but years passed and nothing was ever done, court documents stated.

Police said during Cheryl's interview she claimed to be unaware of her husband's online activity because he rarely comes downstairs and seldom leaves the house.

Both Cheryl and Bruce admitted to forcing the children to not tell anyone about the conditions of their home, out of fear of losing custody, investigators stated.

Bruce Myers has been charged with nearly a dozen child pornography-related counts and endangerment charges. Cheryl Myers is charged with more than a half dozen counts including endangering the welfare of children.

The affidavit states, the Meyers were foster parents starting in 2008 then adopted two of their foster children in 2010 and two in 2012. The children were turned over to Luzerne County Children and Youth.

Both remain jailed without bail at the Luzerne County Correctional Facility. Their preliminary hearings are scheduled for May 18. https://www.pahomepage.com/news/crime-courts/police-child-porn-tip-leads-to-discovery-of-family-living-in-

deplorable-conditions/

Foxfire man charged with 2 counts of sexual exploitation of minor

June 2, 2023

A Foxfire man is facing charges of two counts of felony third degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

Sheriff Ronnie Fields said Bruce Peterson was given a \$75,000 unsecured bond after being arrested following an invesitgation in Foxfire on Thursday.

"On March 30, 2023, the Moore County Sheriff's Office initiated an undercover investigation after receiving information of an individual possessing Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM)," said Fields in a statement. "On June 1, 2023, the Moore County Sheriff arrested **Bruce Charles Peterson**, 59 years old, of Woodland Circle, Foxfire, North Carolina."

Peterson's court date is set for June 7.

"The Moore County Sheriff's Office is an active member of the North Carolina Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce," said Fields.

https://sandhillssentinel.com/foxfire-man-charged-with-2-counts-of-sexual-exploitation-of-a-minor-2/

Kentucky man arrested on child pornography charges

Jul 21, 2023 Updated Jul 21, 2023

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (WDRB) -- Police have arrested a Columbia, Kentucky, man on child pornography charges.

According to a news release, 42-year-old **Bruce Spoon** was taken into custody by Kentucky State Police on Thursday.

Police said KSP's Electronic Crime Branch began investigating Spoon after it was discovered that he uploaded sexually explicit images online.

A search warrant was executed at his home on Thursday. During that time, authorities seized equipment allegedly used in the crime.

Spoon was charged with 10 counts of possession of matter portraying a sexual performance by a minor under the age of 12. He is currently being held in the Adair County Detention Center.

 $https://www.wdrb.com/news/crime-reports/kentucky-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/article_7a1b7248-27f2-11ee-9486-ff3d69f255a4.html$

Baldwin County music teacher arrested on child pornography charges

Updated: Oct. 17, 2023, 3:07 p.m.|Published: Oct. 16, 2023, 2:36 p.m. By Warren Kulo

A 30-year-old music teacher with the Baldwin County school district has been charged with four counts of possession of child pornography, the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office said Monday.

The arrest of **Bryant Ramey** came as the result of a search warrant executed at his home Monday morning.

Authorities allegedly found images of persons under 17 engaged in obscene acts were found on Ramey's personal electronic devices, according to investigators.

Investigators noted Ramey's employment with Baldwin County schools, but said they had no evidence to suggest illegal activity had taken place on school ground.

They added, however, they have been in contact with the Baldwin County Board of Education as the investigation continues.

"The safety and security of our students, teachers and other staff within our schools will remain a top priority," the sheriff's office said in a release.

Ramey has worked as a music instructor at Pine Grove Elementary and as a band instructor with Robertsdale High School, although his current role with the school district is unclear.

"Mr. Ramey has been placed on administrative leave as of this morning," Baldwin County superintendent Eddie Tyler said in a statement. "We are working closely with the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office and will continue to do so as this investigation progresses. Due to this being a personnel matter, we cannot comment any further at this time and all questions should be directed to the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office."

Ramey's arrest was the result of a joint effort between the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office, Alabama Law Enforcement Agency ICAC Task Force, and the Department of Homeland Security Mobile Field Office.

As of mid-afternoon Monday, Ramey remained in the Baldwin County Jail under \$60,000 bond -- \$15,000 per count.

https://www.al.com/news/2023/10/baldwin-county-band-instructor-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges.html

Heyburn man arrested on charges of sexual exploitation of a child

The Rupert Police Department was assisted by six different law enforcement agencies within the area.

By KMVT News Staff Published: Jan. 31, 2023

HEYBURN, Idaho (KMVT/KSVT) — The Rupert Police Department arrested a 41-year-old Heyburn man last Wednesday on charges of distribution of child pornography.

Bryce Bertram was arrested without incident on January 25th and charged with three counts of sexual exploitation of a child, after authorities executed a search warrant at his residence.

The Rupert Police Department was assisted by six different law enforcement agencies within the area.

The Idaho Attorney General's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children back in November of this last year regarding suspicious activity of several different social media accounts that Bertram used.

According to court documents, Bertram had posted bond and his arraignment date is set for February 9th in Minidoka County.

The Rupert Police Department and the Idaho Attorney General's Office encourages anyone with information concerning the abuse of children to report it to your local law enforcement agencies.

https://www.kmvt.com/2023/01/31/heyburn-man-arrested-charges-sexual-exploitation-child/

Albany man arrested for possessing child pornography

by: Jackson Tollerton Posted: May 10, 2023

LATHAM, N.Y. (NEWS10) — On May 10, State Police arrested **Buddy Blowers**, 62, of Albany. He is charged with possessing a sexual performance of a child, a class E felony.

An investigation, which stemmed from a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, was conducted by Troop G Computer Crimes Unit, with support from the Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce. The investigation led to Blowers being accused of possessing several images consistent with child sexual exploitation.

Blowers was arrested at his home and transported to SP Latham for processing. He was issued an appearance ticket returnable to the Albany City Court on May 15, and was released.

https://www.news10.com/news/crime/albany-man-arrested-for-possessing-child-pornography/

Mobile man arrested for child sexual abuse material

by Andrea Ramey Fri, July 7th 2023

MOBILE, Ala. (WPMI) — The Mobile County Sheriff's Office arrested 57-year-old **Byron Parker** on three counts of pornography possession material of minors. A spokesperson for the department says deputies executed the warrants Friday morning. He is also charged with possession of a controlled substance.

RAINN (Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network) says while the term child pornography is still widely used by the public, it's more accurate to call it child sexual abuse materials because kids can't legally consent to having images of their abuse recorded and distributed.

https://mynbc15.com/news/local/mobile-man-arrested-for-child-sexual-abuse-material

ACSO: Man arrested on sexual exploitation of children charges in Anderson County

The Anderson County Sheriff's Office said Calvin Brantly, 59, faces charges of sexual exploitation of children after they found sexual content focusing on children.

Author: WBIR Staff

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ANDERSON COUNTY, Tenn. — The Anderson County Sheriff's Office said Thursday a man was arrested on four charges of sexual exploitation of children.

Authorities said **Calvin H. Brantley**, 59, from Clinton, was arrested after a months-long investigation. ACSO said deputies had help from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. During the investigation, deputies said they found a "large cache" of sexually explicit videos and images that had children as the focus.

ACSO said investigators believe Brantley got the images and videos from online, and he is being held in the Anderson County Jail on a \$300,000 bond.

Additional information about the case was not immediately available. This story will be updated when more information is available.

https://www.wbir.com/article/news/crime/anderson-county-sexual-exploitation-of-children-charges/51-d7699e35-3872-4d32-91b9-68dc267794af

Assistant teacher at Holly Springs day care charged with child sex crimes

A man arrested Wednesday for sex exploitation of a minor was employed at a Holly Springs day care center, police confirm.

May 4

A Holly Springs day care worker was arrested on Wednesday and charged with sexual exploitation of a minor, according to police.

Cameron Johnson, 25, was charged with second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

Police said Johnson was employed at Children's Lighthouse Early Learning School, located at 1605 Avent Ferry Road. He was hired as an assistant teacher three months ago, according to a statement from the school. He passed a background check, they said, and that all proper protocols were followed when hiring him.

Johnson was arrested at the school and charged with five counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, as well as duplicating child porn involving boys as young as 7. Warrants show the date of offense was Feb. 11, 2023.

According to the incident report from Holly Springs police, the alleged offenses took place at Johnson's home, not at the school.

Lighthouse Daycare released a statement, saying in part: "Upon learning the details yesterday surrounding this individual, we took prompt action to terminate his employment immediately. We also notified state licensing representatives for a thorough internal investigation and to ensure the continued safety of all children in our care.

"We are shocked and horrified by this news as our number one priority is providing a safe and nurturing environment for children to learn and grow. Our thoughts are with the victims who have been impacted by this."

https://www.wral.com/story/assistant-teacher-at-holly-springs-day-care-charged-with-child-sex-crimes/20843028/

Pendleton man charged with possessing child pornography, additional victims sought

Jun 16, 2023

PORTLAND — A Pendleton man has been charged with possessing child pornography after he was found with images of a child under 12 years old.

According to U.S. Attorney's Office, a federal grand jury in Portland on Tuesday, June 13, returned an indictment charging **Cameron Jacob Sheoships**, 55, with one count of possessing child pornography.

The indictment alleges Sheoships in May knowingly and unlawfully possessed material containing child pornography, including explicit images of the child.

Sheoships made his initial appearance in federal court on May 25. He was released on conditions pending future court proceedings.

If convicted, Sheoships could face a maximum sentence of 20 years in federal prison for the charge of possessing child pornography.

The FBI is seeking any information related to potential crimes committed by Sheoships or instances of physical or online exploitation involving children. Tips can be provided by calling the FBI at 503-224-4181 or submitting information online at tips.fbi.gov.

https://www.eastoregonian.com/news/local/pendleton-man-charged-with-possessing-child-pornography-additional-victims-sought/article_c5f9b5a8-0b05-11ee-bcb2-4fec2361c179.html

Ashford man arrested in Florida sex crime bust, BCSO

by: Richard Everett

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ASHFORD, Ala (WDHN) — A 35-year-old Ashford man was arrested in Bay County, Florida during a large undercover child sex crime operation.

According to the Bay County Sheriff's Office, Adam McCullen was arrested by the Jackson County Sheriff's Office and charged with Possession of Child Pornography, Traveling to Meet a Minor, and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.

McCullen was arrested during Operation Cross Country XIII, a multi-agency undercover operation designed to catch online predators.

During the operation, fourteen persons were arrested and charged with Traveling to Engage in Sexual Activity with a Minor, and five were charged with Possession of Child Porn.

- Jesus Rangel De La Cruz, age 32, of Panama City, charged with Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Nery Antonio Bonilla Galvez, age 37, of Panama City, charged with Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Flavio Cruz, age 25, charged with Possession of Child Porn.
- James Michael Cummings, age 44, of Freeport, Fl, charged with Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Luke Kirspel, age 20, of Miramar Beach, charged with Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- James Edward Clay, Jr., age 43, of Panama City Beach, charged with Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Shane Steve Cherry, age 34, of Panama City, charged with Possession of Child Porn.
- Adam Louis Szenay, age 41, of Lynn Haven, charged with Possession of Child Porn.
- Christopher James Correll, age 49, of Lynn Haven, charged with Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Zamir Devon Blue, age 26, of Panama City, charged with Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.

- Donald Powell, age 78, of Panama City, charged with Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Devonte Lavelle Malcolm, age 27, of Riverview, Fl, charged with Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Cameron Scott Shiver, age 20, of Panama City, charged wit Possession of Child Porn.
- Shemar O. Pearson, age 23, charged with Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Jose Arizmendi, age 36, charged with Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Robinson Andres Mancheno Monar, age 26, of Panama City, charged with Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Carlos Mejia Ruiz, age 18, charged with Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.
- Kasey Copeland, age 30, of Youngstown, charged with Possession of Child Porn.

The operation was based at the Bay County Sheriff's Office. It involved The Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), the Bay County Sheriff's Office, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), the Jackson County Sheriff's Office, the US Marshal's Service, the United States Air Force OSI, the Panama City Police Department, the Panama City Beach Police Department, and the Lynn Haven Police Department.

https://www.wdhn.com/news/local-news/houston-county/ashford-man-arrested-in-florida-sex-crime-bust-bcso/

Mitchell man pleads guilty to possession of child pornography after cyber tip prompts investigation

SAM FOSNESS, THE DAILY REPUBLIC, MITCHELL, S.D. November 21, 2023 at 6:52 PM

Nov. 21—MITCHELL — A Mitchell man who was found in possession of an image showing a nude child pleaded guilty Tuesday to possession of child pornography.

During Tuesday's Davison County felony court proceedings, **Cameron Johnson**, 29, of Mitchell, entered a guilty plea to one count of possession of child pornography, a Class 4 felony that carries a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison and a \$20,000 fine.

Johnson became the subject of an investigation over a year ago after a cyber tipster reported to authorities that Johnson possessed and distributed child pornography online, according to an arrest affidavit.

Police reports say Johnson sent a nude image to the cyber tipster of what appeared to be a 4 or 5-year-old victim.

Authorities tracked the account that sent the child pornography images online, which traced to Johnson's IP address and a mobile device, according to an arrest affidavit.

The phone number and email address associated with the account that sent the nude image of a child also traced back to Johnson's email and mobile phone.

Johnson is scheduled to be sentenced on Jan. 30, 2024. https://www.aol.com/child-pornographer-gets-state-prison-144800139.html

26 arrested in statewide child pornography bust

By WSBTV.com News Staff August 31, 2023 at 12:19 pm EDT

ATLANTA — The Georgia Bureau of Investigation said 26 people were arrested over an 11-day period in a statewide child exploitation operation named "Operation Sneaky Peach."

The GBI and 24 other agencies targeted peer-to-peer network users sharing child sexual abuse material commonly known as child pornography. Undercover agents targeted people communicating with and arranging to meet what they believed to be children for the purpose of engaging in sexual acts.

The operation led to 34 residential search warrants, 26 arrests, the seizure of 281 electronic devices and identified 30 children living in homes where online child sexual exploitation was happening. Four people were child sexual offenders.

The following people were arrested during the operation and charged with sexual exploitation of children and other related offenses. They were booked into the county jails as listed below.

- Randy Ho, age 22, of Forest Park, Georgia (Clayton County)
- William Ellis, age 33, of Cleveland, Georgia (White County)
- Russell Summerville, age 38, of Athens, Georgia (Clarke County)
- Jeffery Lynn, age 51, of Rossville, Georgia (Walker County)
- Michael Beane, age 58, of Waycross, Georgia (Ware County)
- James Lail, age 48, of Macon, Georgia (Jones County)
- Jeremy Gunn, age 33, of Fayetteville, Georgia (Fayette County)
- Douglas Strong, age 64, of Auburn, Georgia (Barrow County)
- Bennie House, age 35, of East Ellijay, Georgia (Gilmer County)
- Thaddeus Anderson, age 34, of Canton, Georgia (Cherokee County)
- Jimmy Evans, age 65, of Milledgeville, Georgia (Baldwin County)
- Paul Angel, age 70, of Danielsville, Georgia (Madison County)
- Trent Bailey, age 33, of Hartwell, Georgia (Hart County)
- Brian Jones, age 38, of Roopville, Georgia (Heard County)
- Ethan Cook, age 18, of Canton, Georgia (Cherokee County)
- Carl Hill, age 42, of Cartersville, Georgia (Bartow County)
- Damian Wright, age 22, of Acworth, Georgia (Bartow County)
- Dustin Bohrer, age 39, of St. Simons Island, Georgia (Glynn County)

- Carey William Wiley Lewis, age 35, of Savannah, Georgia (Chatham County)
- Christopher Williams, age 37, of Hinesville, Georgia (Liberty County)
- Kieran Michael O'Connor, age 31, of Hinesville, Georgia (Liberty County)
- Trevious Murrell, age 35, of Americus, Georgia (Sumter County)
- Jesse Kelley, age 31, of Talking Rock, Georgia (Pickens County)
- David Latta, age 52, of Lawrenceville, Georgia (Gwinnett County)
- Zachary Mitchell Allen, age 40, of Decatur, Georgia (DeKalb County)

In addition to those listed, one offender was a minor and was served with a juvenile complaint.

https://www.wsbtv.com/news/local/26-arrested-statewide-child-pornography-bust/ZIXC55RE4BDLBLC7A2YC7L7W3U/

Alexander County Man Jailed In Case Involving Child Pornography

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December 21, 2023 Rob Eastwood – Reporter NEWS

23-year-old **Carlos Daniel Ortiz** of Hiddenite was arrested Tuesday (December 19) by Alexander County Sheriff's Officers. He's charged with four felony counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

Ortiz was arrested following an investigation conducted by the Alexander County Sheriff's Office. The investigation was conducted over a period of several weeks, it was launched as a result of a report that there was an individual allegedly downloading child-pornography via the internet.

Following Tuesday's arrest, Ortiz was brought to the Alexander County Detention Center where bond was set at \$150,000 secured. He remained in jail as of earlier today (December 21) under that same bond amount. A District Court appearance is scheduled for January 8 in Taylorsville. https://whky.com/alexander-county-man-jailed-in-case-involving-child-pornography/

10 Child Pornography Counts Filed Against Frederick County Man

April 26, 2023 - 5:28 pm By Kevin McManus

Frederick, Md (KM) A New Market man is charged with ten counts of possession of child pornography. The Frederick County Sheriff's Office says **Carlos Javier Guzman Cruz**, 34, was taken into custody on Tuesday at his home in the 10300 block of Quillback Street.

Authorities say they received cyber tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children last year. . From there, detectives assigned to the Internet Crimes Against Children Section worked with the Frederick County Cyber Crimes Task Force to build a case against Guzman Cruz. Investigators determined that he downloaded numerous images and videos depicting child exploitation and child sexual abuse.

In a news release, the Sheriff's Office says these images of child sexual abuse material and exploitation of children are often shared on the internet,. and that means these child victims suffer being victims again each time the images of their sexual abuse is viewed.

Guzman Cruz was apprehended without incident.

https://www.wfmd.com/2023/04/26/10-child-pornography-counts-filed-against-new-market-man/

Janesville man charged with possessing child pornography

KYLIE BALK-YAATENEN May 25, 2023

JANESVILLE — A 20-year-old man from Janesville has been charged for five counts of possession of child pornography after his home was searched May 18 by the Janesville Police Department's SWAT team.

Cesar Felipe faces up to \$500,000 in fines and up to 125 years in jail, if convicted of his charges.

According to the complaints:

The Janesville Police Department reviewed several files that contained suspected child pornography, last December that were downloaded to what was then determined to be Felipe's computer.

Five videos in that file contained young girls that looked to be between the ages of 4-13 all of which involved them performing sexual acts.

The detective assigned to the case reported that he served a search warrant to a home in the area of 500 block of California Court Felipe reports that he came into contact with Cesar Felipe. Felipe told police that he used the email address that downloaded the videos they then arrested and held him at Rock County Jail until his court date and arrested him.

Felipe told police that he downloaded and saved pornography that depicted young girls that he thought were 13 to 14-years-old, which he found on the internet. He said he has been doing this for a year.

https://www.gazettextra.com/news/crime/janesville-man-charged-with-possessing-child-pornography/article_c6f373f0-fb32-11ed-b426-33a3de0458a3.html

Brick man, 69, had more than 1,000 images of child sexual abuse on computer: Prosecutor

Erik Larsen November 17, 2023

BRICK - A 69-year-old township man was charged Thursday with possessing images of child sexual abuse, said Ocean County Prosecutor Bradley D. Billhimer.

Cesar Ortega-Zevallos was taken into custody after a search warrant was executed at his home. The High Tech Crime Unit of the Prosecutor's Office identified the IP address at the Brick residence as from where the suspect had been "uploading the images to the internet," the statement said.

A forensic examination of a computer that belongs to Ortega-Zevallos resulted in more than 1,000 images of child pornography being found on the device, according to the Prosecutor's Office.

Ortega-Zevallos was arrested without incident and taken to the Ocean County Jail in Toms River, where he remained Thursday pending the outcome of a detention hearing.

Investigators with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in Newark and officers from the Brick Township Police Department participated in the search of the suspect's home, the statement said.

The investigation was the result of a referral from the New Jersey State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. The ICAC Task Force had been tipped off by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that a local individual was uploading images of child pornography to the internet, according to the Prosecutor's Office.

This was the second arrest in Brick announced in as many days for a similar crime. On Wednesday, township police said that Brett Gerundo, 45, of Brick, had been charged with second degree endangering the welfare of children. In that case, Gerundo too was in possession of more than 1,000 images and videos of child sexual abuse images, according to a statement from the police.

A search warrant executed at Gerundo's home resulted in the seizure of 21 electronic devices, police said.

Cyber-Tip Led to Chad George's Arrest

BY JAMES BOULIGNY, JUN 9, 2023

SAN ANGELO— The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children sent a cyber tip to the Tom Green County Sheriff's Office for the arrest of Chad George.

On June 7, 2023, **Chad George**, 42, was arrested for possession of child pornography. According to court documents, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children sent the Tom Green County Sheriff's Office a cyber tip that an unknown person had uploaded four videos of suspected child pornography on January 24, 2023.

George had uploaded the obscene images onto Synchrosnoss Technologies, a cloud-based storage provider on a Verizon Cloud. The data stored on this cloud storage is directly copied from the target's cellphone during a "backup" of the device.

Whooster, an intelligence database, provided investigators with a phone number associated with George and an address, which was on Southridge Drive in San Angelo, Texas. Per the Tom Green County Appraisal District, the address on Southridge Drive is owned by George.

Investigators submitted a search warrant to Synchrosnoss Technologies for all digital media and electronic record regarding George's account. The investigator discovered 337 images and videos of young children dancing provocatively, 95 videos and images containing obvious child pornography, and 25 non-pornographic images of George, his family, an account activation screenshot with George's name on it, an IRS 1099 form with George's name on it, and a VISA card with George's name on it.

The images allegedly uploaded by George were of children, ages three to eight, participating in sexual acts, performing in sexual acts, or posing sexually.

George was booked into the Tom Green County Sheriff's Office on June 7, 2023, for possession of child pornography and is currently an inmate being held on \$250,000 bond.

The Tom Green County Sheriff's Office sent out information regarding George's arrest on June 8, 2023.

https://sanangelolive.com/news/crime/2023-06-09/cyber-tip-led-chad-georges-arrest

NPD: Arrest made in Child Pornography Investigation

Normal, IL, USA / www.cities929.com Tom Davis Jun 23, 2023 | 3:32 AM

A 45-year-old Normal man has been charged in connection with an investigation by NPD into child exploitation allegations. The investigation started last August and on Thursday, the department announced that **Chad W. Muse** was arrested on 41 counts of possession of child pornography.

In August 2022, Normal PD began an investigation into a local individual related to possession of Child Sexual Exploitation Material (CSEM).

The investigation was initiated through the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and assigned to Detective Kendra DeRosa, who is a Task Force Member with the Illinois Attorney General's Office Internet Crimes Against Children.

The investigation consisted of a coordinated effort between Normal PD and the McLean County State's Attorneys Office in which several investigative techniques were used to identify the suspect. After identification of the alleged suspect was made, a search warrant of the residence was completed, along with multiple interviews by the Normal Police Department.

Normal PD's investigation was reviewed by the McLean County State's Attorneys Office and an arrest warrant was issued for Chad W. Muse, age 45, of Normal IL.

Muse is charged with:

Possession of Child Pornography/Possession of Film-Photos (17 Counts)
Possession of Child Pornography/Possession of Photos/Victim <13 (24 Counts)
https://www.cities929.com/2023/06/23/npd-arrest-made-in-child-pornography-investigation/

DeKalb County man arrested for child pornography; police

by: Jack Baudoin Posted: Jun 12, 2023

CORTLAND, III. (WTVO) — A Cortland man was arrested on Thursday for child pornography, according to police.

The Illinois State Police Division of Criminal Investigation announced that **Charles Ramsey**, 36, was arrested for Possession of Child Pornography, a Class 3 felony.

Agents with the department received information on April 19 that Ramsey possessed images of child pornography. They executed a search warrant at a residence in the 400 block of N. Charles Street on Thursday.

Evidence was gathered and Ramsey was taken into custody. He was transported to the DeKalb County Jail, where he was later released after posting bond. https://www.mystateline.com/news/local-news/dekalb-county-man-arrested-for-child-pornography-police/

Mayville Man Facing First-Degree Child Sexual Assault Charges

September 13, 2023 by Daily Dodge

(Mayville) Cash bond was set at \$250-thousand-dollars for a Mayville man accused of having inappropriate contact with a child. **Charles Rash** is facing three felony counts including First-Degree Child Sexual Assault, Child Sexual Exploitation, and Possession of Child Pornography.

Law enforcement executed a search warrant at Rash's residence on Friday, September 8th, after receiving a Cyber Tipline Report of suspected child porn. During the search, authorities looked through Rash's phone and reportedly found evidence that he had sexually assaulted a child.

According to the complaint, there were videos of Rash performing sex acts with the victim who was born in 2019. Police allegedly found that Rash would send the videos to other users on the social media platform KIK.

When questioned about the content officers located, Rash reportedly said (quote) "it was one time" and "it was an accident." The 23-year-old also allegedly said he was hoping that the victim was young enough not to remember.

If convicted, Rash faces up to 125 years in prison. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for September 21st.

https://dailydodge.com/mayville-man-facing-first-degree-child-sexual-assault-charges/

Former South Dakota teacher sentenced on child pornography charges

By adam@dakotabroadcasting.com December 20, 2023

A former South Dakota teacher who admitted to having child pornography has been sentenced for his crimes. 34-year-old **Charles Reambonanza** has been sentenced by a judge to two and a half years in prison followed by five years supervised release. Before being arrested Reambonanza was a science teacher at St. Francis Indian School. Upon learning about the charges he face the school suspended him. According to prosecutors Reambonanza used a PayPal account to purchase the illicit material from someone in the Philippines.

https://dakotabroadcasting.com/former-south-dakota-teacher-sentenced-on-child-pornography-charges/#:~:text=34%2Dyear%2Dold%20Charles%20Reambonanza,face%20the%20school%20suspended%20him

Monmouth teen arrested on child pornography charges

Thomas Geyer Jun 7, 2023

MONMOUTH — An 18-year-old Monmouth man is accused of possessing and disseminating child pornography, investigators with the Illinois State Police Division of Criminal Investigation said in a news release Wednesday.

Christian A. Gillette is charged in Warren County Circuit Court with one count of disseminating child pornography, a Class X felony under Illinois law that carries a prison sentence of six to 30 years.

Illinois State Police and Monmouth Police on Wednesday served a search warrant at Gillette's home in the 1000 block of 6th Street. Evidence gathered at the scene led to Gillette's arrest, police said.

Gillette was booked into the Warren County Jail on Wednesday. He is expected to make a first appearance on the charges Thursday in Circuit Court where a judge will set bond and schedule a preliminary hearing on the charges.

The Illinois State Police provide the following resource for parents, for the public to report crimes against children, and victims to start their path towards healing and recovery. To keep kids safe online, learn more

at: https://illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/onlinesafe/; To report online exploitation visit: www.cybertipline.org; For resources for survivors of sexual abuse visit: https://www.missingkids.org/gethelpnow/csam-resources.

https://qctimes.com/news/local/crime-courts/monmouth-teen-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/article_b1799aa4-1ab2-568e-a12b-93d6c9f444a7.html

Shelby County man arrested on child porn charges

By WBRC Staff

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SHELBY COUNTY, Ala. (WBRC) - A Shelby County man has been arrested on child pornography charges.

According to court documents, **Christopher Mark Allen** was arrested and charged with six counts of possession of child pornography and one count of dissemination/display of child pornography.

Allen was booked into the Shelby County Jail Friday, June 9 on a \$120,000 bond.

More details will be added to this story as new information becomes available. https://www.wbrc.com/2023/06/12/shelby-county-man-arrested-child-porn-charges/

PENNSBURY MUSIC INSTRUCTOR CHARGED WITH POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

A Pennsbury School District music instructor was charged with possessing thousands of images and videos of child pornography, the Bucks County District Attorney's Office announced on Tuesday, Dec. 19, 2023. Christopher Bygott, 47, of Hamilton, N.J., surrendered to authorities Tuesday morning to be charged with possession of child pornography and criminal use of a communication facility, both felonies. He was arraigned by Magisterial District Judge Jan Vislosky and was released on \$250,000 unsecured bail, with the conditions that he have no contact with any minors, have no internet usage and surrender his passport. This investigation by Detectives with the Bucks County District Attorney's Office began on Dec. 5 after two CyberTips were submitted to the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children. The CyberTips were linked to an IP address, which was used to upload the Child Sex Abuse Materials (CSAM) files into an Amazon Photos account. Bucks County Detectives received subscriber information from Amazon.com Inc., which identified the subscriber as Bygott. Further investigation linked the IP address to the Pennsbury School District. During their investigation, Bucks County Detectives learned that Bygott is employed by the school district as curriculum coordinator for instrumental music. On Dec. 13, Bucks County Detectives interviewed Bygott at the Pennsbury High School East campus in Falls Township. A forensic examination of his cellphone led to the discovery of 2,000 images and videos of Child Sex Abuse Materials that depicted sexual acts with children of various ages. This case is assigned for prosecution to Chief Deputy District Attorney Matt Lannetti, Chief of Child Abuse Prosecution.

https://bucks.crimewatchpa.com/da/29567/post/pennsbury-music-instructor-charged-possession-child-pornography

Man in Harnett County Jail charged with 10 counts of child sexual exploitation, sheriff's office says

by: Joe Jurney

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LILLINGTON, N.C. (WNCN) — A Cameron man has been charged with multiple counts of sexual exploitation of a minor following a search of his home.

On Monday, members of the North Carolina International Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force consisting of State Bureau of Investigation agents and Harnett County sheriff's detectives executed a search warrant in the 1000 block of Pine Oak in Cameron.

Task force members found child pornography on a laptop and cellphone belonging to 45-year-old **Christopher James Cox** who resides at the home, the sheriff's office said.

Christopher Cox was arrested and charged with 10 counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor in connection to downloading and possessing child sexual abuse material.

He was taken to the Harnett County Detention Center where he was processed and held under a \$50,000 secured bond.

https://www.cbs17.com/news/local-news/man-in-harnett-county-jail-charged-with-10-counts-of-child-sexual-exploitation-sheriffs-office-says/

Franklin Grove man charged with possession of child pornography

By Meghan Schobinger Published: May. 12, 2023

LEE COUNTY, III. (WIFR) - A 34-year-old man faces felony charges after being arrested by Illinois State Police (ISP).

Christopher Florence, of Franklin Grove, is charged with five counts of possession of child pornography.

ISP investigators met Florence at a home on the 100 block of N. Sycamore Street in Franklin Grove for an interview about a child pornography case. There they found evidence that led to his arrest.

Florence is lodged in the Lee County jail awaiting a bond hearing.

ISP encourages parents, guardians and the public to report crimes against children at www.cybertipline.org or by calling local law enforcement. https://www.wifr.com/2023/05/12/franklin-grove-man-charged-with-possession-child-pornography/

Kouts man arrested on child exploitation charges

Jun 22, 2023

PORTER COUNTY — An investigation conducted by members of the Indiana State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force resulted in the arrest of Christopher Hultquist, 33, from Kouts.

In August of 2022, investigators received more than two dozen cyber tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) related to a specific phone number. After a thorough investigation, detectives were granted a search warrant for Hultquist's residence.

On June 19, detectives served the search warrant at Hultquist's residence, where they located Hultquist in possession of child sexual abuse material. Hultquist was taken into custody and transported to Porter County Jail.

Arrested and preliminary charges:

- Christopher Hultquist, 33, from Kouts

Child Exploitation (2 Counts) – Level 5 Felony Child Exploitation (2 Counts) – Level 6 Felony

The Indiana State Police Crimes Against Children Task Force was assisted throughout the investigation by Indiana State Police Digital Forensics Unit, troopers from the Lowell Post, Indiana State Police Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division, and the Kouts Police Department.

All suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Anyone having any information related to crimes against children is encouraged to contact their local law enforcement agency or visit the NCMEC website at http://www.missingkids.com/home or https://report.cybertip.org/ to make a report.

 $https://www.newsbug.info/kankakee_valley_post_news/news/crime/kouts-man-arrested-on-child-exploitation-charges/article_10569654-0f82-11ee-9056-f38ec7d5c890.html$

Rockland man gets a year in jail for child porn

By Dave Rogers | drogers@newburyportnews.com Jun 20, 2023

NEWBURY — A Rockland man pleaded guilty to a child pornography charge during Wednesday's appearance in Newburyport District Court and was sentenced to 388 days in jail.

Christopher Laforce, 39, was originally arraigned on a distributing child pornography charge in early May 2022 and ordered held on \$15,000 cash bail. On Wednesday, the charge was reduced to possession of child pornography, according to court records.

Judge Peter Doyle sentenced Laforce to 2½ years in jail but suspended all but 388 days for 2½ years while on probation. Laforce, who remained in custody following his arraignment, was given credit for 388 days served behind bars.

During Laforce's time on probation, he must remain drug and alcohol free with random screens, have no unsupervised conduct with anyone under 18 years of age and cannot use social media. It was through social media that Laforce was first noticed by local police.

According to Newbury police, Laforce contacted an undercover detective on the social media site Kik in December 2021. While in a private chat room, Laforce sent then-Detective Sgt. Aaron Wojtkowski five media files, with most of them containing child porn. Wojtkowski, who is now the department's deputy chief, was posing as "an adult male" when Laforce messaged him.

"The user asked the UC (undercover) persona 'so you like younger teen girls too right? Acting in an UC capacity, I responded in the affirmative which prompted the user to send five media files to the UC account," Wojtkowski wrote in his report.

Four of the files included pornographic images of children as young as 8 years old, according to the officer's report.

"The user sent additional messages suggesting an interest in sexual conduct with children, moreover asked the UC persona if he would rape a teen with him," Wojtkowski wrote in his report.

Days later, Wojtkowski received a search warrant to check out Laforce's Kik account. On Jan. 7, 2022, Kik complied with the warrant and handed the detective enough information to link Laforce to the account.

That led to the detective getting a search warrant for Laforce's computer and smartphone. Wojtkowski served the warrant when visiting Laforce's residence March 22. He eventually issued Laforce a summons to appear in court.

Wojtkowski soon learned that state police were investigating Laforce for child porn based on earlier interaction.

During Laforce's arraignment, Essex County prosecutor Michelle Belmonte said Laforce he a sizable criminal record with convictions for assault and battery and burglary. After both convictions, Laforce violated probation conditions.

His record, plus Wojtkowski's report, warranted a high cash bail, according to Belmonte.

"The facts are disturbing to say the least," Belmonte said. https://www.newburyportnews.com/news/local_news/rockland-man-gets-a-year-in-jail-for-child-porn/article_b803b0f0-0b89-11ee-b955-77c5ebd13e88.html

State police arrest Kankakee man on felony charges

Daily Journal staff report May 18, 2023

KANKAKEE — A 34-year-old Kankakee man was arrested on an assortment of charges, including electronic cyberstalking as well as grooming.

Illinois State Police arrested **Christopher A. Loiselle**, 34, on Tuesday on felony charges of electronic cyberstalking, one count of grooming and one count of electronic harassment, according to a news release.

ISP, along with the Kankakee Area Metropolitan Enforcement Group, Kankakee County Sheriff's Office and other local law enforcement, executed a search warrant at a residence in Kankakee.

This remains an active investigation and no additional information is available at this time, the release said.

 $https://www.daily-journal.com/news/crime/state-police-arrest-kankakee-man-on-felony-charges/article_b98c45b0-f4da-11ed-bb42-d7cfe42a5891.html\\$

Pensacola father and son each arrested on 30 counts of child porn

by WEAR staff Thu, July 13th 2023

PENSACOLA, Fla. -- A Pensacola father and his son were arrested Wednesday afternoon on child porn charges.

Christopher Luckie, 56, and Ethan Luckie, 23, are both charged with 30 counts of child porn possession.

Police executed a search warrant Wednesday at 6450 Guilford Drive in Pensacola after receiving a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The report states police searched a USB thumb drive in Christopher's room and Ethan's laptop, finding 30 videos/images on each depicting:

- child porn
- sexual battery involving a child
- sadomasochistic abuse of a child and
- child victims under the age of five

Both Christopher and Ethan Luckie are being held in Escambia County Jail on \$600,000 bond.

The ICAC Task Force assisted Pensacola Police with the investigation.

No further details were released.

https://weartv.com/news/local/pensacola-father-and-son-each-arrested-on-30-counts-of-child-pornacola-father-and-son-each-arrested-on-30-counts-on-30-counts-of-child-pornacola-father-and-son-each-arrested-on-30-counts-on-30-counts-on-30-counts-on-30-counts-on-30-counts-on-30-counts-on-30-counts-on-30-counts-on-30-counts-on-30-counts-on

Coleman prison guard arrested for possession of child pornography

ByStaff Report October 19, 2023

A Coleman Federal Correctional Center guard has been arrested for possession of child pornography.

Christopher Andrew Mason, 27, of Ocala, was arrested Oct. 10 on five counts of possession of child pornography, according to the Ocala Police Department.

An investigation into Mason's activities began last year after Snapchat passed on information to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The Snapchat account was under the name "James Griffin," but by tracking the Google account, phone number and Charter Communications account, the child pornography was connected to Mason. He was found to be in possession of media files that contained images of girls ranging in age from 10 to 14 in sexually provocative poses.

"There was also a large amount of adult pornography and adult/child erotica stored within Mason's Google account," the investigator wrote in the report.

He noted it was apparent that Mason used the images for "sexual gratification."

Earlier this month, a detective contacted Mason and invited him to come to the police station for an interview. Mason declined, but offered to meet with the detective in the leasing office at the Carlton Arms Apartments in Ocala, where Mason resides. When they met, Mason identified himself as a guard at the federal prison in Coleman. Mason's attorney was on speaker phone and announced that his client would not be answering any questions.

https://www.villages-news.com/2023/10/19/coleman-prison-guard-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography/

Cape May County man faces child porn charges

Eric Conklin Jun 28, 2023

CAPE MAY COURT HOUSE — Detectives arrested a local man accused of storing child pornography on a cloud-based service.

Authorities in early April raided the home of **Christoper P. Miner**, 22, of Middle Township, taking external hard drives and a laptop as evidence, the Cape May County Prosecutor's Office said on Wednesday.

Miner is charged with both possession and distribution of child pornography, the Prosecutor's Office said in a news release.

County detectives were led to Miner through evidence from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children of the explicit content being downloaded and uploaded, authorities said.

Multiple law enforcement agencies converged on the home on April 5 and seized their evidence.

Miner turned himself over to authorities on June 20 and was brought to the Cape May County jail. He remained held at the facility on Wednesday, jail records show.

 $https://pressofatlanticcity.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/capemay-newjersey-porn-arrest/article_b25b5b74-15c7-11ee-ab9c-4f36cce032a1.html$

3 Cuyahoga County men arrested, indicted in child pornography sting

Eric Bartlett, John Orr, and Christopher Perry are accused of obtaining explicit images of minors through social media. All now face more than 100 years in prison.

Author: Tyler Carey Published: 5:19 PM EST February 2, 2023

CLEVELAND — Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley on Thursday announced charges against three men arrested in separate incidents connected with a child pornography and exploitation sting.

Cleveland Heights native Eric Bartlett, North Royalton resident John Orr, and Euclid's **Christopher Perry** were all handed indictments of at least 17 counts each. All are charged with pandering sexually-oriented material involving a minor, illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material or performance, and possessing criminal tools.

Authorities say Bartlett, 39, had already been registered as a Tier II sex offender for crimes that occurred outside of Cuyahoga County. In this latest case, he is accused of using a fake identity to message with children on social media and exchanging sexually explicit material with them. Local, state, and federal officials raided his home near Revere and Grosvenor Roads less than two weeks ago.

The 22-year-old Orr and 52-year-old Perry are alleged to have also obtained illegal images through social media, with searches also occurring at their respective residences last October. According to court records, neither has a prior criminal history in the county.

Bartlett posted bond at his initial court appearance last month and is set to be formally arraigned this coming Monday, while bond for Orr and Perry has not been listed and both will be arraigned on Feb. 23. If convicted of all charges, all three defendants could potentially face more than 100 years in prison.

These cases were investigated by the Ohio Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, which is run by the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office. Tips initially came in from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

https://www.wkyc.com/article/news/crime/3-cuyahoga-county-men-arrested-indicted-child-pornography-sting/95-7433b651-91ed-48ec-9599-49896bfade6e

Woodville man charged with two counts of possession of child pornography

Jason Schulte Jun 15, 2023

A 35-year-old Woodville man was charged this month in St. Croix County Circuit Court with two counts of possession of child pornography.

Christopher Michael Platson was scheduled to be arraigned June 13. The count is a Class D felony, meaning the maximum penalties if convicted are \$100,000 and/or 25 years prison.

According to the criminal complaint, the St. Croix County Sheriff's Office was forwarded the case from the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA) in March. The BCA was investigating someone on Snapchat saving, sharing, or uploading one file of apparent child pornography. The file in question was of an underage child performing a sex act.

The result of their investigation led to Platson which led to St. Croix County being involved.

Platson was then interviewed by St. Croix County investigators. He denied currently having a Snapchat account as he was locked out of it due too many log in attempts. He also denied having any images or videos on his phone which would have child pornography. He also answered 'not really' when asked if others have access to his phone.

https://www.baldwin-bulletin.com/news/woodville-man-charged-with-two-counts-of-possession-of-child-pornography/article_95fd6aa6-0abb-11ee-b46a-07665b671950.html

Grand Mesa Little League president's background raising concern

by Anne Landman • July 18, 2023

Some people are expressing concern about the president of Grand Mesa Little League after finding out about an arrest in his background that involved sexually-tinged abuse of younger kids, and seeing worrisome comments about his behavior on social media.

Christopher Riley, who was formerly known as Christopher David Rasmussen, was arrested November 21, 2001, on charges of third degree assault and false imprisonment after he tied up a 14 year old boy at Grand Junction High School who had resisted Rasmussen's attempts to videotape him nude. Rasmussen was also accused of filming additional students nude at the school earlier that month. Rasmussen's name was made <u>public</u> in the Daily Sentinel at the time because he was 18 years old at the time of the incident.

Rasmussen ultimately plead guilty to a charge of 3rd degree assault after accepting a plea deal from the Mesa County District Attorney that called for him to get a 2-year deferred judgment and required him to meet with a probation officer twice a month and undergo a psychosexual evaluation to determine if he needed counseling.

The results of the evaluation are unknown.

Rasmussen ultimately plead guilty to a charge of 3rd degree assault after accepting a plea deal from the Mesa County District Attorney that called for him to get a 2-year deferred judgment and required him to meet with a probation officer twice a month and undergo a psychosexual evaluation to determine if he needed counseling.

The results of the evaluation are unknown.

Upon completing his deferred judgment and sentence, the conviction was wiped off his record. The only remaining record of it is in the archives of the Daily Sentinel, which explains why it is not discoverable in a standard background check.

A notice was published in the Sentinel on January 25, 2013 that Rasmussen had formally filed with the Mesa County Court to change his last name to "Riley."

A person concerned about the situation pointed to worrisome comments about Riley posted on the social media site Reddit, and noted that while the accusations in the comments are unproven, they nevertheless raise concerns for parents in light of Rasmussen/Riley's prior conviction: https://annelandmanblog.com/2023/07/grand-mesa-little-league-presidents-background-raising-concern/

Mount Pleasant man charged with 11 counts of sexual exploitation of minors

by Bailey Wright Mon, May 8th 2023

COLUMBIA, S.C. (WCIV) — A Mount Pleasant man arrested late last month is facing 11 charges related to producing and possessing child sexual abuse material, according to South Carolina Attorney Alan Wilson.

Christopher George Schoenmann, 42, of Mount Pleasant was arrested on April 28.

He was charged with one count of sexual exploitation of a minor, first degree- a felony offense punishable by up to 20 years imprisonment; and 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, third degree- a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

Investigators looked into Schoenmann after receiving a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC).

The arrest was made by Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Mount Pleasant Police Department.

Investigators with the Attorney General's Office, Homeland Security Investigations, U.S. Marshals Service, Charleston Police Department, and Charleston County Sheriff's Office, all also members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with the investigation.

The Attorney General's Office will prosecute the case.

Anyone with further information regarding this arrest is asked to contact Detective Kenneth Clark or Desiree Schnackenberg with the Mount Pleasant Police Department at (843) 884-4176.

https://abcnews4.com/news/local/mount-pleasant-man-arrested-on-11-counts-of-sexual-exploitation-of-minors-wciv-abc-news-4-christopher-george-schoenmann-42

Enterprise man jailed on child porn charges, EPD

by: Richard Everett Posted: Jul 6, 2023

ENTERPRISE, Ala (<u>WDHN</u>) — An 18-year-old from Enterprise has been charged with multiple counts of child pornography.

According to Enterprise Police, an EPD officer working with the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Taskforce recently received a tip about someone possessing child pornography in the Enterprise area.

Captain Billy Haglund says after a two-week investigation, EPD and ICAC officers obtained seven warrants for **Christopher Sweat** on charges of Possession of Child Pornography.

Sweat was arrested on the evening of Wednesday, July 5, and booked in to the Coffee County Jail on a combined \$105,000.

Due to the nature of the crimes, the Enterprise Police Department will release no further information.

https://www.wdhn.com/news/local-news/coffee-county/enterprise/enterprise-man-jailed-on-child-porn-charges-epd/

Craven County man held on \$1 million bond for child porn counts

By WITN Web Team

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CRAVEN COUNTY, N.C. (WITN) - A Craven County man is under a \$1 million bond on child porn charges.

Craven County deputies on Tuesday charged **Christopher Thomas** with five felony counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and five felony counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

The man's home on Old Vanceboro Road was raided on Tuesday after deputies received a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Deputies say their investigation showed that the 34-year-old Thomas was responsible for distributing multiple files with child pornography. https://www.witn.com/2023/05/24/craven-county-man-held-1-million-bond-child-porn-counts/

Wilson County man arrested on child porn charges

February 19, 2023 By Drew C. Wilson

A Wilson County man faces child pornography charges following an investigation by federal, state and county officials.

Christopher Alexander Watkins, 25, of 8561 Galloway Road north of Walstonburg, is charged with eight counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, according to a statement from Chief of Staff Wanda Samuel of the Wilson County Sheriff's Office.

Samuel said the case was investigated through Wilson County's participation in the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Last month, the Wilson County Sheriff's Office received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about suspicious activity happening in the county, Samuel said. Detectives identified Watkins as the offender.

Authorities didn't describe Watkins' alleged conduct. Under N.C. General Statute 14-190.17, second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor includes recording or copying visual depictions of minors engaged in sexual activity as well as distributing or receiving such content. Many ICAC task force cases involve sending or receiving child pornography online.

A federal search warrant for Watkins' rural Wilson County home was issued on Monday. Samuel said the sheriff's office Special Response Team executed the warrant and took him into custody without incident.

Watkins received a \$500,000 secured bond and was incarcerated in the Wilson County Detention Center. He remained in jail as of Friday.

Samuel said U.S. Department of Homeland Security investigators and members of the N.C. State Bureau of Investigation Computer Crimes Unit assisted Wilson County detectives in the case.

https://restorationnewsmedia.com/articles/wilsontimes/wilson-county-man-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/

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Former Brunswick councilor facing child porn charges to appear in court

by Ariana St Pierre, WGME Wed, January 4th 2023, 6:50 AM EST

A former Brunswick town councilor who is facing child pornography charges will appear in court on Wednesday.

Christopher Watkinson, 43, is accused of possessing and accessing sexually explicit content of minors.

In a statement to the Portland Press Herald, Watkinson denied all allegations and says he's cooperating with police.

Watkinson, who is a technical director and lecturer of music at Bowdoin College, has taken a leave of absence and has also resigned from his role as a Brunswick town councilor.

The Bowdoin College employee previously served on the Brunswick Town Council from 2017 to 2020.

He has been released on personal recognizance and is not allowed to have unsupervised contact with children under 18 except for his four children.

He also is prohibited from using or possessing pornography and must submit to random searches of electronic devices that have access to the internet Watkinson will appear in Cumberland Country Court at 8:30 a.m.

https://fox23maine.com/news/local/former-brunswick-councilor-facing-child-porn-charges-to-appear-in-court-christopher-watkinson-sexually-explicit-material-of-a-minor-under-12-years-old-brunswick-town-council-bowdoin-college

Sandy Springs school administrator charged with sexual exploitation of children

By Alex Whittler and FOX 5 Atlanta Digital Team Published April 28, 2023

SANDY SPRINGS, Ga. - Police have arrested an employee of a <u>Sandy Springs</u> private school they say is accused of the possession of child pornography.

Thursday afternoon, the Sandy Springs Police Department say they arrested **Christopher James Winslow** and charged him with two counts of the sexual exploitation of children.

Winslow was the chief financial officer of the Mount Vernon School, a private school that teaches students from preschool through 12th grade. He has since been fired from the school.

According to investigators, Winslow is accused of possessing "child sex abuse material."

In a statement, a school spokesperson says that there is no indication from law enforcement that any of its students or any other employees were involved.

"This is devastating news for everyone, and we are committed to supporting law enforcement's investigation however we can," the spokesperson told FOX 5. "The safety and well-being of our students is our most important priority, and for that reason, Mr. Winslow, will no longer be part of our School community moving forward."

The Sandy Springs Police Department is working with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children to identify any alleged victims. The investigation is ongoing.

FOX 5 asked more than a dozen parents at the Mount Vernon school Friday for their reaction. None wanted to speak.

If you have any information that could help with the case, call Sandy Springs detectives at 770-551-6946.

https://www.fox5atlanta.com/news/mount-vernon-school-employee-charged-sexual-exploitation-children

Local attorney arrested, facing over 70 charges for alleged sex offenses with underage girl

By WHIO StaffOctober 16, 2023 at 8:21 pm EDT

DAYTON — A local attorney facing dozens of charges for alleged sex offenses with an underaged girl is behind bars.

Christopher Six, 34, of Dayton, is in the custody of the Montgomery County Jail without bond, according to online jail records.

Six was indicted Friday on 30 counts of pandering sexually oriented matter involving a minor, 32 counts of pandering sexually oriented material involving a minor, 10 counts of disseminating matter harmful to juveniles, and two counts of importuning, according to the Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office.

The Dayton Police Department said they received a referral from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force regarding Six's Snapchat account and images of child sexual assault earlier this year.

After searching his electronics and online accounts, police said it was determined that Six had maintained contact with an underage female in Nevada.

He had allegedly sent and requested nude images from the girl.

He also reportedly had chats with the girl and "discussed his bestiality, incest, urination, and other fantasies," according to prosecutors.

The communication continued between the two until Snapchat shut down his account because of the child pornographic material that was on his account. https://www.whio.com/news/local/local-attorney-arrested-facing-over-70-charges-alleged-sex-offenses-with-underage-girl/WU4H255IRZGY5G4XXOO66CLXCQ/

80-year-old Marion County man arrested on 20 counts of child pornography, met victims on Omegle

By WCJB Staff

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OCALA, Fla. (WCJB) - Marion County Sheriff's Office deputies arrested an Ocala man Tuesday evening on 20 counts of child pornography-related charges.

Deputies responded to a report claiming that **Clifford Haglund**, 80, was using the internet to talk to minors. Deputies say these conversations were of a sexual nature.

After making contact with Haglund, deputies were able to confirm that he was talking to minors. Deputies also discovered he had child pornography on his iPad.

Haglund told deputies he met young boys on Omegle, a website used to connect strangers through video chat, observing them performing sexual acts and receiving their contact information.

Haglund was arrested on 2 charges of distributing child pornography and 18 counts of possession of child pornography.

https://www.wcjb.com/2023/03/22/marion-county-man-arrested-20-counts-child-pornography-charges-says-he-met-victims-omegle/

Mobile man convicted of raping child, faces life in prison

By WALA Staff

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MOBILE, Ala. (WALA) - A jury on Thursday returned a guilty verdict against a man charged with sexual offenses against a child.

The jury convicted **Cody Ryan Bush**, 26, of Mobile, on charges of first-degree rape and dissemination of child pornography. He faces an automatic sentence of life in prison without possibility of parole.

Prosecutors presented evidence that Bush raped a child under the age of 7 in 2020.

During the trial, prosecutors also moved to introduce evidence purporting to show Bush molested a girl several years ago when she was between 7 and 9 years old and allegedly obtained from a search of Bush's home in 2019 pornographic videos of that victim, according to court records. However, that evidence was not ultimately presented.

https://www.fox10tv.com/2023/02/17/mobile-convicted-raping-infant-facing-life-prison/

Sex offender charged with having child porn

STATE POLICE: Crandall had previously assaulted child By SCOTT DESMIT Jun 7, 2023

BATAVIA — A registered sex offender was arrested last week and charged with possessing child pornography after a state police investigation into a complaint filed March 7.

Cody W. Crandall, 26, of Batavia was charged with one count of possessing an obscene sexual performance by a child, a class E felony punishable by up to four years in prison.

Troopers said Crandall also was charged with failing to report a change of address as a registered sex offender.

That charge is more severe: A class D felony punishable by up to seven years because Crandall had been previously convicted of a sex offender registry violation.

Crandall was arrested June 1 and was arraigned in Batavia Town Court and released with appearance tickets.

Crandall is a Level 1, the lowest level, offender on the New York State Sex Offender Registry.

He was arrested in 2018 and charged with sexually assaulting a 5-year-old child in Attica.

At the time he was charged with two counts of first-degree sexual abuse.

He later pleaded guilty to misdemeanor forcible touching and was sentenced to nine months in jail and was deemed a Level 1 offender.

He was arrested in 2022 and charged in Warsaw with failing to register and was later convicted and sentenced to probation.

 $https://www.thedailynewsonline.com/top_story/sex-offender-charged-with-having-child-porn/article_19b5905b-81d3-5325-9936-d824b93956c3.html$

19-year-old charged with selling child pornography held on \$2 million bond

Cole Robert Perota, 19, faces 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor for allegedly making copies of child porn that he sold for money.

Posted 6:33 p.m. Jan 9 - Updated 7:25 a.m. Jan 10

A 19-year-old from Holly Springs was arrested Tuesday and charged with selling child pornography.

Cole Robert Perota, 19, faces 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor for allegedly making copies of child porn that he sold for money.

According to arrest warrants, one of the victims was less than one year old. The images showed the children being sexually assaulted, raped and abused, according to arrest warrants.

Perota was arrested on Monday and was being held on \$2 million bond at the Wake County jail.

https://www.wral.com/story/19-year-old-charged-with-selling-child-pornography-held-on-2-million-bond/21228786/

Cumberland County man accused of distributing child pornography

WGAL 8.

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UPPER ALLEN TOWNSHIP, Pa. —

A Cumberland County man has been accused of distributing and possessing child pornography.

As part of an investigation, Upper Allen Township police performed a search warrant at the residence of **Connor Waterman**, 21, of Mechanicsburg, on Thursday.

During the search warrant, Waterman was found to be in possession of several images and videos of child pornography. Waterman was arrested at the scene and charged with the following:

Sexual abuse of children (Distribution of child pornography) Sexual abuse of children (Possession of child pornography) Criminal use of a communication facility

A preliminary hearing is scheduled for Feb. 9, 2023.

https://www.wgal.com/article/cumberland-county-man-accused-distributing-child-pornography-pennsylvania/42748421

Four Williamson County Men Indicted in Child Pornography Investigation

By Source Staff - September 26, 2023

September 26, 2023 – Over the last month, members of the Williamson County Sheriff's Office, Internet Crimes Against Children, (ICAC) Task Force, arrested four Williamson County residents following Grand Jury indictments for the following Sexual Exploitation of Minor charges:

- Joshua Shinbaum, 26, of Franklin, 2 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor over 50 images and sexual exploitation of a minor over 100 images;
- Conor Logan, 28, of Franklin, 4 counts of aggravated sexual exploitation of a minor, sexual exploitation of a minor over 50 images, and aggravated sexual exploitation of a minor over 25 images;
- Warren Bryant, 65, of Brentwood, sexual exploitation of a minor and sexual exploitation of a minor over 50 images;
- Julian Alderman, 43, of Franklin, aggravated sexual exploitation of a minor, sexual exploitation of a minor over 100 images, and 8 counts of violation of the sex offender registry.

The WCSO-ICAC Task Force began investigating Julian Alderman after it was discovered that he was sharing child sexual abuse material utilizing the BitTorrent Network. Alderman was registered as a sex offender in 2017 after pleading guilty to similar charges in Nashville. The WCSO ICAC Task Force works hand-in-hand with the Sex Offender Registry investigative team in Williamson County, and are responsible for managing dozens of Sex Offenders in this county.

The WCSO-ICAC Task Force works proactively within the community to ensure that violent sex offenders preying on our youth are stopped and ultimately brought to justice.

If you have a tip related to online child sexual exploitation, please submit this information online via the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children CyberTipline at https://report.cybertip.org/

If you have any questions or concerns related to these cases, contact Williamson County Detective Paul Lusk, at: Paul.Lusk@Williamsoncounty-tn.gov.

https://williamsonsource.com/four-williamson-county-men-indicted-in-child-pornography-investigation/

Portage Co. man pleads not guilty to 32 felony charges in CSAM case

By Sean White

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STEVENS POINT, Wis. (WSAW) - A 26-year-old Portage County man formally charged with 32 felony counts of possessing child pornography, or child sex abuse material has pled not guilty.

Corbyn Lorbiecki appeared via video in Portage County Court on Monday where he pled not guilty to all the charges he faces.

In September, the judge determined that there was sufficient probable cause in the case and bound Lorbiecki over for trial. The judge also continued the cash bond set at \$20,000 in August.

According to a criminal complaint, on or around July 18, Lorbiecki possessed videos of a person engaging in sexually explicit conduct and did so while having reasonable knowledge that the person was under the age of 18.

In the complaint, on July 13, Plover police stated that they received reports of suspected child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, being stored on a cloud account associated with Lorbiecki. On July 17, police were able to search through the contents of the cloud account and in a file folder found 269 videos, many of which contained suspected CSAM.

Police were able to confirm the material belonged to Lorbiecki through "selfie" images he took that were also stored on the account. The phone located on Lorbiecki at the time of his arrest also matched the information given in the original CSAM report.

Additionally, the court is invoking a law that would impose a charge of \$500 per image and/or video associated with the crime.

A final pre-trial conference is scheduled for Nov. 22.

https://www.wsaw.com/2023/08/08/bond-set-20k-portage-co-man-accused-child-pornography-case/

Rockford man arrested for 3 counts of child porn possession

Aug 30, 2023 Updated Jan 7, 2024

ROCKFORD, III. — Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) Zone 2 arrested 31-year-old Rockford resident **Corey Bruton** on three counts of Possession of Child Pornography (Class 2 Felony.)

On August 29, ISP DCI Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) carried out a search warrant in a home in the 2000 block of 9th Street in Rockford.

An electronic device belonging to Bruton was collected and examined, revealing evidence of child pornography.

The Winnebago County State's Attorney's Office approved the three charges against Bruton and he is currently being held at the Winnebago County Jail awaiting his bond hearing.

The Illinois State Police provide the following resource for parents, for the public to report crimes against children, and victims to start their path towards healing and recovery.

https://www.wrex.com/news/rockford-man-arrested-for-3-counts-of-child-porn-possession/article_bbc424cc-4761-11ee-8361-8fb0d445e6b3.html

Jonesboro Police Announce Arrest Of Man On Child Pornography Charges

BylL Editor SEP 20, 2023 Craighead County

On September 8th, The JPD Internet Crimes Against Children Division was sent a Cybertip from the ASP ICAC. The person who made the report advised they had met **Cortez Borders** on a dating app. Cortez then messaged her on Facebook and gave her his phone number. During their correspondence through texts, Cortez began sending sexually explicit videos and photos of juvenile females, asking for the recipient to delete them. He also asked the complainant to send him pictures of her little cousins. JPD detectives brought Cortez into the station and questioned him about the images and text messages. While under Miranda, he stated there were more images of child exploitation on his phone.

A bench warrant was issued for his arrest on September 20th, and he was transported to the Craighead County Detention Center. He appeared for his probable cause hearing and received a \$150,000 cash surety bond. http://www.imbodenlive.com/2023/09/20/jonesboro-police-announce-arrest-of-man-on-child-pornography-charges/

Auburn man arrested, faces multiple charges including child exploitation, bestiality and drug charges

Kymmi Amato Dec 1, 2023 Updated Dec 1, 2023

DEKALB COUNTY, Ind. (WFFT) - DeKalb County Sheriff's Office detectives arrested an Auburn man who faces multiple charges, including child exploitation, bestiality and drug charges.

Around 8:45 Thursday morning, DeKalb County Sheriff's Office detectives who are partnered with the Indiana Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force arrested **Craig C. Cobbs**, 54, of the 1100 block of CR 34.

They made the arrest after an investigation of a cyber tip received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Cobbs was taken to the DeKalb County Jail where he faces charges of child molesting (Class C felony), child exploitation (level 4 felony), possession of child pornography (level 5 felony), possession of methamphetamine (level 5 felony), bestiality (level 6 felony) and a habitual offender enhancement.

https://www.wfft.com/news/local/auburn-man-arrested-faces-multiple-charges-including-child-exploitation-bestiality-and-drug-charges/article_bf543392-9087-11ee-aa59-8b4efff762ad.html

LOCALS ARRESTED IN ONLINE CHILD PREDATORS STING

May 9, 2023

As a result of a proactive online undercover investigation coordinated by the Georgia Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit, and the Bartow County Sheriff's Office Special Operations, 12 people were arrested over three days beginning Thursday, May 4th.

The following were arrested and charged with trafficking persons for labor or sexual servitude:

45-year-old Jose A. Martinez-Medina from Cave Spring (factory supervisor)

25-year-old Tyler Jordon Croft from Hull (unemployed)

Law enforcement arrested the following person for nine counts of sexual exploitation of children:

33-year-old Curtis Breeden from Cartersville (factory worker)

The following were arrested and charged with violating the Computer or electronic pornography and child exploitation prevention act:

- 38-year-old Ameziane Hadjaz from Acworth (sales engineer)
- 47-year-old Jason Rogich from Adairsville (unemployed)
- 33-year-old Algenone Kenonta Shaw from Cartersville (unknown)
- 43-year-old Senaca Terry Darns from Cartersville (landscaper)
- 56-year-old Melvin Walcott from Cartersville (rideshare driver)
- 42-year-old Jonathan Brumit from Lindale (forklift driver)
- 43-year-old Dannis Lucious Jackson from Rome (warehouse worker)
- 24-year-old Justin Leo Tan from Lawrenceville (unemployed)
- 64-year-old William Biggs, Jr from Cartersville (unemployed)
- Additional charges and arrests may be forthcoming.

"Operation Golden Eagle" took several months of planning and involved 12 law enforcement agencies collaborating. The arrestees, ranging in age from 24-64, traveled from areas around Bartow County, GA, intending to meet a child for sex. Eleven of those arrested believed they were going to a location to meet

with a child and engage in prearranged sex acts. Law enforcement arrested one for possessing child sexual abuse material found during a search warrant execution. GBI digital forensic investigators were on hand at the operation to forensically process 16 electronic devices that they seized as evidence.

The goal of "Operation Golden Eagle" was to identify persons who engage in sexually explicit communication with children on the internet, arrange to engage in a sex act with the child, and then travel to meet the child to have sex. Additionally, the operation targeted those willing to exploit children by purchasing sex with a minor. Child predators visit online chat rooms and websites, find children, begin conversations with them, introduce sexual content, and arrange a meeting with them to have sex. These predators targeted both boys and girls. Since 2014, the Georgia ICAC Task Force has arrested over 178 people in similar operations.

During "Operation Golden Eagle," undercover investigators had more than 98 exchanges with persons on various social media and internet platforms. During many of these exchanges, the subjects directed conversations toward sex with persons they believed to be minors; some of these conversations involved arranging sex with a child in exchange for monetary compensation. Investigators established that 21 cases met the threshold for arrest; eleven of those cases concluded with arrests after the perpetrator attempted to meet the "child" in person. In some cases, the subject introduced obscene or lude content, often exposing what the perpetrator thought was a child to pornography or requesting the child produce and send sexual or pornographic images for them. About half of the exchanges involved websites used for dating, socializing, or even websites used for classified advertisements.

Although some websites promote themselves as "adults-only," it is not uncommon for law enforcement to work cases in which children access these sites, establish profiles claiming to be older, and then find themselves vulnerable to victimization, harassment, blackmail, or assault. Investigators identified several subjects communicating simultaneously, with multiple investigators posing as minors. Such activity confirms what investigators uncover conducting these types of investigations: that many predators specifically seek out children on such websites to groom them as potential victims of sexual contact.

- Twelve law enforcement agencies, all partners in the Georgia Internet Crimes Against Children's Task Force, participated in "Operation Golden Eagle." These agencies were:
- 1. Bartow County Sheriff's Office
- 2. Bartow County District Attorney's Office
- 3. Cartersville Police Department

- 4. Federal Bureau of Investigation
- 5. Floyd County Police Department
- 6. Georgia Bureau of Investigation
- 7. Hall County Sheriff's Office
- 8. Homeland Security Investigations
- 9. Lilburn Police Department
- 10. Polk County Police Department
- 11. Roswell Police Department
- 12. United States Secret Service

The Georgia ICAC Task Force comprises 290+ local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies, other related criminal justice agencies, and prosecutor's offices. The mission of the ICAC Task Force, created by the U.S. Department of Justice and managed and operated by the GBI in Georgia, is to assist state and local law enforcement agencies in developing an effective response to cyber enticement and child pornography cases. This support encompasses forensic and investigative components, training and technical assistance, victim services, prevention, and community education. Agencies developed the ICAC Program in response to the increasing number of children and teenagers using the internet, the proliferation of child pornography, and the heightened online activity by predators searching for unsupervised contact with underage victims. By helping state and local law enforcement agencies develop effective and sustainable responses to online child victimization and child pornography, the ICAC program delivers national resources at the local level. Any Georgia law enforcement agency wishing to join GA ICAC Task Force is encouraged to contact the GBI's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit.

The Georgia Bureau of Investigation Child Exploitation Unit, asks anyone with information about these cases or other cases of child exploitation to contact them at 404-270-8870 or report via the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children CyberTipline at CyberTipline.org. One can also submit anonymous tips by calling 1-800-597-TIPS(8477), online at gbi.georgia.gov/submit-tips-online, or by downloading the See Something, Send Something mobile app.

https://wbhfradio.org/locals-arrested-in-online-child-predators-sting/

Local man sentenced to prison in child porn case

January 27, 2023

WILMINGTON — A local man has been sentenced to prison time for offenses involving child pornography.

On Jan. 17, Clinton County Common Pleas Judge John "Tim" Rudduck sentenced **Dakota Sigmon**, of Wilmington, to no less than two years and no greater than three years on three counts of pandering obscenity involving a minor. Also, 123 days of jail credit were given.

According to court documents provided to the News Journal, Sigmon, 26, has no prior criminal history. The offenses were committed on March 15, 2020, and Feb. 1 and June 23, 2022.

"(Sigmon) clearly had time to contemplate his behavior and continued to repeat it," the documents state. "Fortunately, there was no sexual contact or conduct involved."

Sigmon's indictment indicated his conduct involved both videos and photos of minors.

Court documents also state Sigmon had been complying with authorities and admitted responsibility. Sigmon pleaded guilty to the three charges in November, leading to 22 other charges being dismissed.

As a part of his conviction, Sigmon will have to register as a Tier II sex offender and will be monitored by post-release control for five years. https://www.wnewsj.com/2023/01/27/local-man-sentenced-to-prison-in-child-porn-case/

Grand Island man arrested for child sex crimes, weapons charges

by: Adam Gorski

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BUFFALO, N.Y. (WIVB) — A Grand Island man was arrested for sex crimes against children as well as allegedly possessing an illegal rifle, New York State Police announced.

An internet crimes against children investigation on Grand Island determined that **Dale J. Orndorff**, 63, allegedly possessed child pornography, in addition to a rifle and magazines not in compliance with New York State law.

Orndorff was charged with promoting a sexual performance by a child and two counts of criminal possession of a weapon in the third degree. He was arraigned at the Town of Grand Island Court and remanded in lieu of bail.

https://www.wivb.com/news/local-news/erie-county/grand-island/grand-island-man-arrested-for-child-sex-crimes-weapons-

charges/#:~:text=An%20internet%20crimes%20against%20children,with%20New%20York%20State%20law

Effingham man charged with possessing, disseminating child pornography

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EFFINGHAM, III. (WAND) — Illinois Attorney General Kwame Raoul announced that his office charged an Effingham man with possessing and disseminating child pornography.

Raoul's office charged **Dallas R. Campbell**, 25, in Effingham County Circuit Court with two counts of dissemination of child pornography, both Class X felonies punishable by up to 30 years in prison, and 10 counts of possession of child pornography, each Class 2 felonies punishable by up to seven years in prison. Campbell is detained at the Effingham County Jail, and his next court date is scheduled for Oct. 26.

"Survivors of sexual exploitation and abuse often require a lifetime of recovery from the trauma they experience," Raoul said. "I will continue to partner with state's attorneys and local law enforcement agencies to investigate these heinous crimes and protect Illinois children and families from those who exploit and abuse children."

Investigators from the AG's office, along with the Effingham Police Department, searched Campbell's home on Thursday, Oct. 19 and arrested him due to evidence of child pornography on his electronic device.

"Effingham Police Department is committed to public safety, and we will continue to work hand in hand with our state and federal partners," Effingham Chief of Police Jason McFarland said. "The Attorney General's Office and their team have demonstrated unparalleled proficiency in handling investigations of this nature. Their expertise ensures that the investigation adheres to the highest standards of professional excellence. Together, we are amplifying our impact to combat this type of heinous crime and safeguard our community." Attorney General Raoul's office is co-prosecuting this case with Effingham County State's Attorney Aaron Jones.

All individuals are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Online child sexual exploitation can be reported at www.cybertipline.com, and child abuse can be reported at dcfsonlinereporting.dcfs.illinois.gov. In addition,

local child advocacy centers can be found at www.childrensadvocacycentersofillinois.org.

https://www.wandtv.com/news/effingham-man-charged-with-possessing-disseminating-child-pornography/article_a7964e12-72a9-11ee-8fb0-

c3c0e663f3bf.html#:~:text=Raoul's%20office%20charged%20Dallas%20R,to%20seven%20years%20in%20prison

Monmouth resident indicted on child sexual assault, pornography charges

Natasha Venable, 46, is accused of sexually assaulting a child in Monmouth several times between September 2018 and August 2022.

Posted March 30, 2023 Updated March 30, 2023 Keith Edwards Kennebec Journal

AUGUSTA — A Monmouth resident accused of sexually assaulting a child between the ages of 11 and 13 has been indicted on 22 charges.

Natasha Venable, 46, allegedly sexually assaulted the child several times between Sept. 11, 2018, and Aug. 25, 2022, in Monmouth, according to a recent Kennebec County grand jury indictment. For those alleged assaults, Venable is charged with three counts of gross sexual assault, one count of unlawful sexual contact, one count of unlawful sexual touching and three counts of sexual exploitation of a minor. The gross sexual assault charges are Class A felonies, punishable by up to 30 years in prison. However gross sexual assault charges involving victims younger than 12 can be punished by up to "any term in years" under Maine law.

Venable also was charged with 14 counts of possession of sexually explicit materials.

An affidavit filed by Monmouth Police Sgt. Dana Wessling states Venable is a registered sex offender in Illinois and listed there as a sexual predator.

Wessling wrote that when confronted about the allegations, Venable claimed to not remember committing the acts but said if the accuser said she did, then she did it and was guilty and would take responsibility.

The possession of sexually explicit materials indictments allege Venable, between Oct. 13, 2021, and Aug. 25, 2022, possessed images or material she

knew or should have known depicted children under the age of 16 engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

An indictment is not a determination of guilt, but it indicates there is enough evidence to proceed with formal charges and a trial.

Also indicted on sex offense-related charges by a Kennebec County grand jury, which met March 23 and 24:

- Joshua D. Chambers, 34, of Waterville, 10 counts of possession of sexually explicit materials, each Feb. 15, 2022, in Waterville.
- Matthew J. Elston, 32, of Punta Gorda, Fla., sexual exploitation of a minor, sexual abuse of a minor and dissemination of sexually explicit material, Aug. 10, 2022, in Gardiner.
- Taylor R. Lewis, 28, of Augusta, sexual exploitation of a minor, sexual abuse of a minor and dissemination of sexually explicit material, Aug. 10, 2022, in Gardiner.
- Dalton G. Shorey, 20 of Manchester, dissemination of sexual explicit material, on or between June 23, 2021, and Sept. 14, 2021, in Manchester; and possession of sexually explicit materials, Sept. 14, 2021, in Manchester. https://www.centralmaine.com/2023/03/30/monmouth-resident-indicted-on-child-sexual-assault-pornography-charges/#:~:text=Dalton%20G.,14%2C%202021%2C%20in%20Manchester

Longmont man accused of possession and distribution of child sexual abuse material

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A Longmont man has been arrested and accused of possession and distribution of child sexual abuse material.

Damen Rennells-Rosa, 20, was arrested Wednesday on suspicion of one count of sexual exploitation of a child – distribution, and three counts of sexual exploitation of a child – possession. The distribution count is a Class 3 felony, while the possession counts are Class 4 felonies.

According to a news release, the investigation began after the Colorado Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force received information about the distribution of child sex abuse material from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

A search warrant of Rennells-Rosa's residence in the 2000 block of Yeager Drive in Longmont was executed Aug. 31, and multiple electronic devices were seized. Digital forensic analysis of the devices found files that were "in violation of sexual exploitation of a child."

Rennells-Rosa was taken into custody and is being held at the Boulder County Jail without bond pending a first appearance. His booking photo was not immediately available.

Online court records show Rennells-Rosa has a prior DUI conviction.

The Boulder County Sheriff's Office, Boulder County District Attorney's Office, Boulder Police Department and the Longmont Department of Public Safety all participated in the case.

https://us.firenews.video/us-news/longmont-man-accused-of-possession-and-distribution-of-child-sexual-abuse-material/

Waymart man arrested for child pornography following Snapchat report

by FOX56 NEWSROOM Wed, June 14th 2023, 12:35 PM EDT

A Waymart man has been arrested after a child pornography investigation.

20-year-old **Damian Kavalkovich** was arrested Wednesday and charged with one count of Possession of Child Pornography, one count of Disseminating Child Pornography, and one count of Criminal Use of a Communication Facility; each graded as a felony of the third degree.

The Wayne County District Attorney's office says the investigation began after Snapchat, Inc. reported that three images of apparent child pornography had been shared by the user who was identified as Kavalkovich.

Snapchat reported the incident to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) who in turn notified the Wayne County Detectives.

Ultimately, a search warrant was served at Kavalkovich's residence by members of the Pennsylvania State Police Northeast Computer Crimes Unit and officers from the Pennsylvania Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

At that time, police seized electronic devices from Kavalkovich's residence and interviewed him about the uploaded images.

As a result of the investigation, Kavalkovich was arrested and charged with possession of child pornography.

Kavalkovich has been arraigned and was remanded to the Wayne County Correctional Facility on \$25,000.00 secured bail.

His next scheduled court appearance is June 21.

https://fox56.com/news/local/waymart-man-arrested-for-child-pornography-following-snapchat-report

26 individuals arrested in Georgia for child sex crimes

By Kelis McGhee

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PM EDT

DECATUR, Ga. (WTVM) - The Georgia Bureau of Investigation worked with various law enforcement agencies in a statewide effort, "Operation Sneaky Peach," that led to the arrest of 26 people, specifically one from the Chattahoochee Valley.

35-year-old Trevious Murrell of Americus in Sumter County was arrested during the operation and has been booked in the Sumter County Jail.

The 26 individuals were charged with sexual exploitation of children and other offenses.

The effort was to identify and arrest individuals committing sexual crimes against children involved in technology facilitated crimes such as sharing child pornography, communications and arranging to meet with children tp perform sexual acts, and the possession, manufacturing and distribution of child pornography.

There were 30 children identified in the operation living in households where online child sexual exploitations was occurring, and according to GBI, four of the individuals arrested admitted to current or prior hands-on sexual offenses against a child.

The names of the other people arrested are as following,

- Randy Ho, age 22, of Forest Park, Georgia (Clayton County)
- William Ellis, age 33, of Cleveland, Georgia (White County)
- Russell Summerville, age 38, of Athens, Georgia (Clarke County)
- Jeffery Lynn, age 51, of Rossville, Georgia (Walker County)
- Michael Beane, age 58, of Waycross, Georgia (Ware County)
- James Lail, age 48, of Macon, Georgia (Jones County)
- Jeremy Gunn, age 33, of Fayetteville, Georgia (Fayette County)
- Douglas Strong, age 64, of Auburn, Georgia (Barrow County)
- Bennie House, age 35, of East Ellijay, Georgia (Gilmer County)
- Thaddeus Anderson, age 34, of Canton, Georgia (Cherokee County)
- Jimmy Evans, age 65, of Milledgeville, Georgia (Baldwin County)

- Paul Angel, age 70, of Danielsville, Georgia (Madison County)
- Trent Bailey, age 33, of Hartwell, Georgia (Hart County)
- Brian Jones, age 38, of Roopville, Georgia (Heard County)
- Ethan Cook, age 18, of Canton, Georgia (Cherokee County)
- Carl Hill, age 42, of Cartersville, Georgia (Bartow County)
- Damian Wright, age 22, of Acworth, Georgia (Bartow County)
- Dustin Bohrer, age 39, of St. Simons Island, Georgia (Glynn County)
- Carey William Wiley Lewis, age 35, of Savannah, Georgia (Chatham County)
- Christopher Williams, age 37, of Hinesville, Georgia (Liberty County)
- Kieran Michael O'Connor, age 31, of Hinesville, Georgia (Liberty County)
- Jesse Kelley, age 31, of Talking Rock, Georgia (Pickens County)
- David Latta, age 52, of Lawrenceville, Georgia (Gwinnett County)
- Zachary Mitchell Allen, age 40, of Decatur, Georgia (DeKalb County)

Each individual has been booked into the county jail that is listed.

A minor was also arrested during the operation, and there may be more arrests as investigations continues.

https://www.wtvm.com/2023/08/31/31-individuals-arrested-georgia-child-sex-crimes/

Syracuse man accused of making child porn video, sexually abusing child, troopers say

Updated: Mar. 31, 2023

By Rylee Kirk May 9th, 2023

Syracuse, N.Y. — A Syracuse man has been arrested on charges he made a pornographic video of a child and sexually abused a young child, troopers said.

Dandre Q. Terry, 21, was arrested Thursday, according to a news release from the State Police on Friday.

Troopers conducted a search warrant at Terry's apartment on Roney Lane where his phone was found to have pornographic videos of children, troopers said.

In one of the videos Terry is seen abusing a nine-year-old child on a couch, according to a criminal complaint filed in Syracuse City Court. Terry was identified by a tattoo of a rose on his hand, troopers said.

Troopers said a search of Terry's Gmail account found five videos of child pornography that he had uploaded. The videos are of an adult male having sex with young boys, troopers said.

He had a total of 16 videos, troopers said. Some involved children as young as three and also described as "infants," troopers said. One video involved a girl, troopers said.

Terry was charged with:

- Five counts of promoting a sexual performance by a child
- Five counts of possession of sexual performance by a child
- Use of a child in a sexual performance
- First-degree sexual abuse

Terry has been arraigned and is being held at the Onondaga County Justice Center jail.

https://www.syracuse.com/crime/2023/03/syracuse-man-accused-of-making-child-porn-video-sexually-abusing-child-troopers-say.html

Illinois State Police arrest Rockford man on child pornography charges

Jun 23, 2023

ROCKFORD — The Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) Zone 2 has arrested 28-year-old **Daniel Cavarrubias** of Rockford on five counts of Child Pornography and two counts of Dissemination of Child Photography..

On June 22, ISP DCI Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force carried out a search warrant in a home on the 1800 block of 23rd Street in Rockford for Possession of Child Pornography.

An electronic device belonging to Covarrubias was examined, revealing evidence of child pornography.

The Winnebago County State's Attorney's Office approved the seven charges against Covarrubias and he is being held at the Winnebago County Jail awaiting a bond hearing.

To keep kids safe online, learn more at: https://illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/onlinesafe/.

To report online exploitation visit: www.cybertipline.org.

For resources for survivors of sexual abuse visit: https://www.missingkids.org/gethelpnow/csam-resources. https://www.wrex.com/news/illinois-state-police-arrest-rockford-man-on-child-pornography-charges/article_6a2836b2-11dd-11ee-8c66-879ec2b98c85.html

Manchester man facing charges after child sex abuse images discovery, police say

Jun 1, 2023 By Autumn Roberts

MANCHESTER, N.H. —

A Manchester man is facing charges after police said they found numerous child sex abuse images on devices he owns.

The investigation into **Daniel Civitella**, 47, began late last year after Manchester police received a tip from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Civitella is now facing 36 felony counts of possession of child abuse images.

Anyone with information about the case is asked to call police at 603-668-8711. Anonymous tips can be made by calling 603-624-4040.

https://www.wmur.com/article/manchester-man-child-sex-abuse-images-discovery/44065937#

Crisfield man charged with possession, distribution of child pornography

May 18, 2023 Sarah Ash

CRISFIELD, Md. – A Crisfield man is facing more than 20 charges following an investigation into child pornography.

Maryland State Police say they launched an investigation earlier this month into possession of child pornography in Somerset County. As a result of the investigation, a search warrant was served on Wednesday at the residence of the suspect, identified as 25-year-old **Daniel Elliot**. A preliminary forensic review of the suspect's cell phone revealed numerous images of child pornography that were reportedly being distributed via social media.

Elliott has been charged with 16 counts of possession of child pornography and 9 counts of distribution of child pornography. He is currently being held pending an initial appearance in front of a District Court Commissioner.

https://www.wmdt.com/2023/05/crisfield-man-charged-with-possession-distribution-of-child-pornography/

Former Blair Assistant Principal Sentenced for Child Pornography

Wednesday, June 28, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Nebraska

United States Attorney Steven Russell announced the **Daniel Hutsell**, 42, of Blair, Nebraska, was sentenced on June 28, 2023, in federal court in Omaha, Nebraska, for distribution of child pornography. United States District Judge Brian C. Buescher sentenced Hutsell to 60 months' imprisonment. There is no parole in the federal system. After his release from prison, Hutsell with begin a five-year term of supervised release. Hutsell will be required to register as a sex offender.

On or about September 13, 2021, Stelivo, LLC, a business that runs several real-time chat websites, including freechatnow.com, identified one image of a minor engaging in sexually explicit conduct that was distributed through its server. Through a cybertip, Stelivo reported that a user with a freechatnow.com username, G|teachrr, sent the image to other freechatnow.com users. The image showed an 8- to 10-year-old female child exposing her genitalia in a sexually explicit manner.

Stelivo captured the IP address of the user account that was used to distribute the image. Law enforcement obtained information related to the IP address, which ultimately identified Hutsell as the subscriber and that he resided in Nebraska. Stelivo identified additional uploads of images from the same username and IP address using freechatnow.com, which included approximately 10 images of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

On November 30, 2021, law enforcement executed a search of Hutsell's residence in Blair. At the time of the search warrant, Hutsell, an assistant principal with Blair Community Schools, admitted to law enforcement that he used a computer and freechatnow.com to trade pornography. Hutsell admitted he had seen the previously mentioned image of the 8- to 10-year-old female child exposing her genitalia in a sexually explicit manner.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by U.S. Attorneys' Offices and CEOS, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local

resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.

This case was investigated by the Nebraska State Patrol.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-ne/pr/former-blair-assistant-principal-sentenced-child-pornography

Broward Man Accused of Uploading Child Porn to Teen Chat Site

Daniel Elliot Suunday, 47, is accused of possessing more than 50 child porn pictures and videos on a teen chat website account and his cellphone

By Wayne Roustan • Published July 4, 2022 • Updated on July 4, 2022

A 47-year-old man is facing a dozen child pornography-related charges after he allegedly uploaded a video of a naked pre-teen girl to a website popular with teenagers.

The website reported the video and account name to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in January and the cyber-tip was relayed to the South Florida Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

According to the police report, detectives checked the account's contents and found 52 pictures and videos of girls between three and 14 years of age either posing naked or engaging in sex acts with adult men.

Investigators said they traced the account to the home address of **Daniel Elliot Suunday** in Fort Lauderdale.

During questioning, police said Suunday admitted to having an account, chatting on the website using his cellphone, and sharing images.

Suunday also claimed to have had phone and email conversations with a woman about his "mother daughter" sexual fantasies, the report stated.

Detectives found ten child pornography pictures and videos on Suunday's cellphone, as well, and he was arrested Wednesday.

He remained in the Broward County Jail Monday on bonds totaling \$105,000, records show.

https://www.nbcmiami.com/news/local/broward-man-accused-of-uploading-child-porn-to-teen-chat-site/2798082/

Former student sentenced for possession of child porn

STAFF REPORTS Jan 24, 2023

A former Purdue student was sentenced to six years on Friday after pleading guilty to child exploitation and child pornography charges.

Three of those years will be spent in the Indiana Department of Corrections, one in Tippecanoe County Community Corrections and two on supervised probation.

Daniel Tinnell, 19, was charged with child exploitation and three counts of child pornography in July after the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children reported videos and photos from one of his social media accounts in September 2021 showing girls who appeared to be younger than 12, the probable cause affidavit reads. NCMEC then tipped off local authorities.

The videos on Tinnell's account, "dantheman3421," showed prepubescent girls engaged in various sexual acts with adult men, the charging document reads. In one, "the child can be heard crying uncontrollably."

Police identified Tinnell by tracking his IP address and matching his appearance to selfies posted to the "dantheman3421" account.

His address was listed in court documents as Wiley Residence Hall, but Purdue spokesperson Tim Doty said Monday that Tinnell hasn't been an enrolled student since December 2021.

Tinnell entered into a plea agreement on the two charges with the Tippecanoe County prosecutor's office in November.

After the sentencing hearing on Friday, Judge Randy Williams ordered Tinnell to spend three years in the Indiana Department of Corrections, one in the Tippecanoe County of Corrections and two years on supervised probation.

On top of the time served, Tinnell will pay a \$100 child abuse prevention fee and a \$1,000 sexual assault victim's assistance fee, and he will have to register as a sex offender for life.

https://www.purdueexponent.org/campus/article_2e392df6-9bee-11ed-b128-4f33048f9984.html

Deputies: Upstate man charged after videos of child sex abuse found

By Amanda Shaw

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ANDERSON COUNTY, S.C. (FOX Carolina) - The Anderson County Sheriff's Office said a suspect is facing 20 charges for child sex crimes.

Daniel Lon Love was arrested on Thursday. According to the arrest warrants, investigators uncovered child pornography on his devices. The content was uploaded to a cloud service.

The warrants contain the titles of the videos, which are too disturbing to release. The file names include the words "toddler," "5yo," and "8yo-girl," according to the warrants.

Deputies said the crimes occurred between March and July.

Love is charged with 10 counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and 10 counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor. He is being held at the Anderson County Detention Center.

https://www.foxcarolina.com/2023/09/08/deputies-upstate-man-charged-after-videos-child-sex-abuse-found/

Houston man charged with obscenity after allegedly making child pornography using relative's photo

Friday, September 8, 2023

HOUSTON, Texas (KTRK) -- A Houston man is accused of making images of child pornography using a relative's photo.

Dante Puente, 41, was arrested on Thursday by Houston police.

ABC13 obtained video of Puente in probable cause court as he faces five charges of obscenity.

The charges against him were read overnight.

"He then superimposed her face onto the naked bodies of other children found on the internet to create images of child pornography," the judge said.

The relative is also a child.

Puente's bond was set at \$250,000. If he makes bond, Puente won't be allowed on the internet or around any children other than his biological sons, who are 20 and 17 years of age.

https://abc13.com/houston-man-charged-with-obscenity-makes-child-pornography-images-using-relatives-photodante-puente-250k-bond/13753321/

Man accused of child sex crimes in Scotland County

by: Taylor Ford

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SCOTLAND COUNTY, N.C. (WBTW) — A cyber tip led North Carolina authorities to arrest a Laurinburg man on child sex-crime charges.

Daquel Liles, 24, is charged with eight counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and two counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, authorities said.

The Scotland County International Crimes Against Children and the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation Internet Crimes Against Children worked together on a tip to arrest Liles. He is being held at the Scotland County Detention Center on a \$100,000 secured bond.

https://www.wbtw.com/news/state-regional-news/scotland-county/man-accused-of-child-sex-crimes-in-scotland-county/#:~:text=SCOTLAND%20COUNTY%2C%20N.C.%20(WBTW),of%20a%20minor%2C%20authorities%20said.

SWLA Arrest Report - July 19, 2023

By Patrick Deaville

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LAKE CHARLES, La. (KPLC) - Calcasieu Correctional Center booking report for July 19, 2023.

Shamus John Hahn, 28, Lake Charles: Burglary.

Halie Nicole Dooley, 32, Lake Charles: Attempted unauthorized entry of an inhabited dwelling; disturbing the peace.

Kevin Wayne Caswell, 51, Sulphur: Possession of a firearm by a person previously convicted of felonies.

Jermaine Lee Victorian, 20, Lake Charles: Resisting an officer by flight; burglary (2 charges); theft under \$5,000.

Trevenn Diontee Carter, 23, Lake Charles: Attempted burglary; resisting an officer by flight; burglary; theft under \$5,000.

David Lee Massey, 44, Vinton: Failure to register as a sex offender.

Devon Bryce Henry, 20, Longville: First-degree rape, indecent behavior with juveniles (2 charges).

Darren Patrick Vincent, 32, Sulphur: Pornography involving juveniles.

Taven Blake Poullard, 18, Lake Charles: Forgery; theft under \$5,000.

William Bradford Matthews, 39, Lake Charles: Fourth offense DWI; possession of synthetic marijuana; driving on a roadway laned for traffic; contempt of court.

Virginia Kate Johnson, 27, Lake Charles: Domestic abuse.

Ashley Dawn Granger, 39, Sulphur: Probation detainer; possession of a Schedule II drug.

https://www.kplctv.com/2023/07/20/swla-arrest-report-july-19-2023/

Area man charged following child porn investigation

April 13, 2023

An area man faced multiple charges last week in St. Francois County following a Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP) investigation into child pornography possession and promotion.

David Russell Darr, 33, of Farmington, has been charged with two counts of first-degree promoting child pornography, three counts of possession of child pornography, and one count of failing to register as a sex offender.

According to a probable cause statement from the MSHP, on Nov. 23, patrol investigators were provided information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) that Darr had files of suspected child pornography in his Google account.

Google reported that Darr's name was on the account, along with his date of birth, according to authorities.

The report states that a Cole County search warrant was served to Google to obtain the subscriber information and content of the account identified by an email address. While reviewing the information Google provided, an investigator reportedly saw that the account was registered to Darr with an address on Highway 32 in Farmington. The Google Photos folder allegedly contained five videos of child pornography, according to police.

Through the investigation, it was reportedly learned that Darr is a registered sex offender in Missouri.

The report states Darr updated his registry at the St. Francois County Sheriff's Department on Oct. 4, 2022, and listed the same address as Google had on file — the residence on Highway 32 in Farmington. The report notes that Darr is required to update his sex offender registry within three days of any changes.

The report states Darr did not update his registry to show he was a student and attended truck driver training at Mineral Area College, that he possesses a Missouri commercial driver's license, that he is currently employed at a produce business in Park Hills, or that he uses two email addresses through Google and Yahoo.

Last week, on March 30, MSHP investigators reportedly executed a St. Francois County search warrant at Darr's residence in Farmington.

During an interview with the investigators, Darr allegedly confirmed he used the Yahoo and Google email addresses, and the Google account reported by NCMEC was his. The report states the man admitted to viewing and downloading child pornography online at his residence in St. Francois County.

The report states that when shown the images of child pornography uploaded to his Google account, Darr allegedly admitted to previously viewing them. Inside a backpack in his room, investigators reportedly found a cell phone. A search of the phone allegedly revealed over a hundred videos of pornography, according to investigators.

Darr was booked at the St. Francois County Detention Center, where he remains in custody without bond. If a bond is set and he is released, the man must comply with GPS and pre-trial monitoring. The man is also prohibited from having contact with children under the age of 18.

Darr made an initial court appearance on Monday, where he waived arraignment, pleading not guilty to the charges. A confined docket hearing in the case against Darr is scheduled for Tuesday.

The charging documents filed in the case note that Darr is on supervised release with the US Probation Department and was living at a residential treatment facility before his arrest.

Court records show Darr was previously convicted in federal court for the production of child pornography involving a person under 14 years of age.

The probable cause statement indicates Darr has prior arrests for crimes involving children, including statutory sodomy, use of a child in a sexual performance, sexual misconduct involving a child, and possession of child pornography.

https://dailyjournalonline.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/area-man-charged-following-child-porn-investigation/article_f6515bd6-58e2-5e74-8250-e14dc58b3357.html

Best Buy Geek Squad manager enters plea in child porn case

ByStaff Report August 27, 2023

A Best Buy Geek Squad manager has entered a plea to 31 counts of possession of child pornography.

David Frisby, 37, of Fruitland Park, was taken into custody Aug. 8 and booked at the Lake County Jail. He remains free on \$137,000 bond.

This past week in Lake County Court, he entered a plea of not guilty in the case.

The investigation began when Adobe Systems Incorporated submitted a tip in January to the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children regarding files reportedly uploaded by Frisby. The files showed images of very young girls having sex with adult males.

A subpoena was obtained for the Comcast Cable account at Frisby's home at 603 Bidwell St. The subpoena led to the discovery of more files, intermingled with Frisby's family photos.

During the investigation, a detective with the Fruitland Park Police Department learned that Frisby was employed as the Geek Squad manager at Best Buy in Lady Lake.

"This leads your affiant to believe that David is very familiar with computers, software, data entry, technology repair, cell phones, and use of other electric devices," the detective wrote in an affidavit of probable cause. https://www.villages-news.com/2023/08/27/best-buy-geek-squad-manager-enters-plea-in-child-porn-case/

No prison time for Columbia City man who admitted to child pornography possession

Corryn Brock | The Journal Gazette Aug 18, 2023

A 24-year-old Columbia City man who pleaded guilty to three counts of child pornography possession will spend the next four years on probation after being sentenced Friday.

David Knezevich pleaded guilty to three counts of possession of child pornography in July after being charged in December.

During Friday's hearing, Knezevich told Allen Superior Court Judge Fran Gull that he hopes to move forward and do better in the future.

"I feel very remorseful for the actions I have done," Knezevich said.

The defendant was given two six-year sentences and one two-year sentence for the child pornography charges.

The sentences were ordered to be served concurrently but were suspended, leaving Knezevich to serve his time as a probationer.

State police received a tip about Knezevich from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children in 2021, according to a probable cause affidavit written by Brandon Davenport, a detective with the Indiana State Police.

The tip came after Knezevich circulated a video of what was claimed to be a 13-year-old girl being molested by a man, court records show.

A search warrant led to the discovery on Knezevich's phone of two videos and four photos of children engaged in sex acts with other children, adult males and a dog.

One video appeared to be from an online streaming site called LiveMe, which claims to "(create) authentic connections between people as one of the world's most popular live video broadcasting platforms."

The video, which is more than 30 minutes long, showed two prepubescent girls engaged in sex acts, according to court documents. The children appeared to

be reading the screen and taking directions, but police could not determine what was being said because they were speaking in a foreign language.

Police also found four photos of one child who appeared to be younger than 14 years old naked and performing sex acts with an adult male and a dog, court records said.

 $https://www.journalgazette.net/local/courts/no-prison-time-for-columbia-city-man-who-admitted-to-child-pornography-possession/article_185c870c-3dde-11ee-900e-\\$

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Mount Pleasant Man Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

April 04, 2023

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of **David Thomas Kurtz**, 71, of Mount Pleasant, S.C., on 12 charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Mount Pleasant Police Department made the arrest. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office, U.S. Marshals Service, Homeland Security Investigations, and Charleston County Sheriff's Office, all also members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with the investigation.

Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to Kurtz. Investigators state Kurtz possessed files of child sexual abuse material.

Kurtz was arrested on March 29, 2023. He is charged with 12 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor third degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

This case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

* Child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, is a more accurate reflection of the material involved in these heinous and abusive crimes. "Pornography" can imply the child was a consenting participant. Globally, the term child pornography is being replaced by CSAM for this reason.

https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/mount-pleasant-man-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges-7/

UPDATE: Man charged with 506 counts of child porn facing more charges

by: Lindsey Ducharme Posted: Jun 9, 2023

UPDATE, June 9, 10:30 a.m.: Additional charges have been issued in this case, according to the Rapides Parish Sheriff's Office.

Authorities said detectives obtained additional warrants for Roberts' arrest in connection with 44 counts of pornography involving juveniles under the age of 13 and 125 counts of sexual abuse of an animal.

Roberts, who currently remains in jail from the arrest on Monday, was rearrested Thursday and re-booked into the Rapides Parish Detention Center. Bond on the new charges have been set at an additional \$84,000.

Detectives said their investigation is still ongoing. Anyone who has any information related to this case is asked to contact Lieutenant Stephen Phillips or Detective Curtis Gunter, RPSO Digital Forensics/Cyber Crimes Unit at (318) 473-6727 or Crime Stoppers at 318-443-7867.

ORIGINAL STORY: DeVILLE, La. (<u>KLFY</u>) — In a joint investigation with the officer of the Attorney General, The Rapides Parish Sheriff's Office arrested a man in connection with distribution of child pornography.

David Roberts, 27, was arrested by The Rapides Parish Sheriff's Office after evidence was found of Roberts distributing child pornography involving a child under the age of 13.

RPSO's Digital Forensics/Cyber Crimes Unit got a warrant to search Roberts' residence, where they located evidence that supported the distribution allegations.

Roberts was arrested in reference to 506 counts of pornography involving a juvenile.

He was transported and booked into the Rapides Parish Detention Center.

Roberts is being held on a \$70,400 bond.

https://www.klfy.com/louisiana/rpso-arrest-man-charged-with-506-counts-of-child-porn/

LEON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Media Contact: Angela Green-Sherrod Date: May 12, 2023 LCSO Arrests Man on 20 Counts of Child Pornography and Drugs On Thursday, May 4, Leon County Sheriff's Office detectives executed a search warrant at a residence in the 4000 block of Apalachee Parkway. The warrant was the result of an extensive investigation related to Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM). The investigation began in December 2022, after a cyber tip was reported to LCSO by the National Center for Exploited Children. During the preliminary investigation, detectives discovered a local man, identified as 62-year-old David Rosinsky, uploaded CSAM images online. During the search warrant, several devices were seized, and a preliminary analysis revealed several additional files of CSAM. Rosinsky was also found to be in possession of trafficking amounts of a controlled substance. LCSO detectives arrested and transported Rosinsky to the Leon County Detention Facility to face multiple charges related to this case. The investigation is still active, and anyone with information regarding this case is encouraged to contact the Leon County Sheriff's Office at (850) 606-3300. Citizens can also find resources at the NCMEC website: https://www.missingkids.org/HOME

NAME: David Rosinsky

DOB: 07/13/60 CHARGES:

- 20 counts of Aggravated Possession of Child Pornography
- 1 count of Trafficking in Oxycodone
- 1 count of Possession of a Controlled Substance

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PIEDMONT TRIAD NEWS

Lexington man charged with sexual exploitation of minors, sheriff's office says

by: Brayden Stamps

Posted: Nov 8, 2023 / 02:02 PM EST Updated: Nov 8, 2023 / 02:02 PM EST

DAVIDSON COUNTY, N.C. (WGHP) — A Lexington man is facing several child sex crimes charges related to the sexual exploitation of minors, according to the Davidson County Sheriff's Office.

An arrest warrant for **David Arnold Sharpe**, 40, of Lexington, states that he is being charged with ten counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of minors.

Sharpe is also being charged with four counts of felony failure to register online identifiers, according to the sheriff's office.

Deputies say they got a tip on Oct. 26 that Sharpe was in possession of child sexual abuse material. He was taken into custody on Tuesday after an investigation.

He is being held in the detention center without bond and will appear in the Davidson County District Courthouse on Dec. 5.

https://myfox 8.com/news/north-carolina/piedmont-triad/lexington-man-charged-with-sexual-exploitation-of-minors-sheriffs-office-says/

DeLand man, 82, found with child porn on his electronic devices, deputies say

Patricio G. Balona Daytona Beach News-Journal Published 5:05 p.m. ET Nov. 15, 2023

An 82-year-old DeLand man found with 23 photos of children engaged in sexual acts on his cell phone, laptop and other electronic devices faces multiple charges of possession of child porn, the Volusia County Sheriff's Office said.

David Stock was charged with 23 counts of possession of sexual performance by a child on Tuesday and is out of the Volusia County Branch Jail after posting \$115,000 bail.

Volusia County sheriff's deputies were tipped off about Stock's online child porn activity by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, the Sheriff's Office said.

Sheriff's detectives executed a search warrant at Stock's home in the 1000 block of East University Avenue in DeLand and seized cell phones, computers, laptops, a camera and hard drives for forensic examination. They located several photos of sexual exploitation of girls estimated to range from 3 to 13 years old, the Sheriff's Office said.

Detectives said Stock downloaded files containing suspected child pornography.

Anyone who may have more information about this case is asked to contact the Volusia Sheriff's Office Child Exploitation Unit at 386-323-3574.

https://www.news-journal online.com/story/news/local/volusia/2023/11/15/florida-man-had-child-porn-on-his-phone-laptop-and-other-devices/71595880007/

Former Richmond officer convicted of possessing child porn

David E. Stone 'has been held in continuous custody' since January

By NBC12 Newsroom Published: May. 1, 2023

LOUISA, Va. (WWBT) - A former Richmond police officer was convicted Monday of possessing child pornography.

The Louisa County deputy commonwealth's attorney says **David E. Stone** faces up to 255 years in prison on the 50 charges when he is sentenced this summer.

Stone was arrested earlier this year after the sheriff's office received a cyber tip as a member of the Internet Crimes Against Children.

"A technology company identified Stone's illegal online behavior on their network and forwarded the information to the National Center of Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC)," Deputy Commonwealth's Attorney Robert Wood said in a news release on Monday. "NCMEC developed a Cyber Tip that included a cellular phone number and an email address and sent them to the Southern Virginia Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (SOVA.)"

SOVA then identified the suspected account owner as Stone, who was arrested on Jan. 24.

During a search warrant, a detective found a tablet that contained 50 images of children - including infants - being sexually assaulted.

Stone had been with the Richmond Police Department since Nov. 27, 2006, according to representatives from within the force.

"The Louisa County Sheriff's Office learned Stone was a member of law enforcement in a city and contacted his department and they arrested Stone when he showed up for duty that night," Wood's email said. "He has been held in continuous custody."

Stone's sentencing is scheduled for July 17.

"We are thankful to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Southern Virginia Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, Richmond Police Department, and the Louisa County Sheriff's Office for all of their teamwork and bringing this case to a successful resolution," said prosecutor Morgane Harper. https://www.nbc12.com/2023/05/01/former-richmond-officer-convicted-possessing-child-porn/

48-year-old man arrested for distributing child porn

ByStaff Report June 9, 2023

A 48-year-old Gainesville man was arrested this week after local authorities received a tip from a national agency that videos depicting child pornography had been uploaded to a social media platform.

The Gainesville Police Department stated that the investigation was prompted after police received a Cyber Tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. According to the tip, Meta had determined that a user had uploaded and shared child sexual abuse material on their platform on two separate occasions.

A GPD detective conducted an investigation and determined that the videos had been uploaded and shared from an account belonging to **David Christopher Williams**. On Thursday, the GPD's Internet Crimes Against Children Division and SWAT Team served a search warrant at Williams' apartment located in the 1100 block of NW 45th Avenue in Gainesville.

Officers made contact with Williams. After being read his Miranda rights, Williams admitted that he owned the account in question. He told investigators that he "messed up," and he further stated that he was "going through a dark place" when he distributed the videos.

Williams was arrested and transported to Alachua County Jail. He is facing felony charges for distribution of child pornography (two counts).

In a social media post, the Gainesville Police Department stated that it "wants parents to be aware that children are being solicited and exploited through social networking and messaging apps."

The police department added, "We encourage parents to have age-appropriate conversations with their children about the dangers of the internet. Please be vigilant and aware of any social networking platforms your children may access." https://www.ocala-news.com/2023/06/09/48-year-old-man-arrested-for-distributing-child-porn/

Area man arrested on child pornography charges

August 30, 2023 5:06 am August 30, 2023 5:06 am

An investigation into child pornography being uploaded by an area man to his Snapchat account has led to multiple charges against the suspect. Eighteen-year-old **Dawson Thomas Cone** of Mountain View was arrested earlier this month on 13 felony charges.

According to the probable cause affidavit in the case, the investigation was initiated in January 2022 when Snapchat officials filed a complaint via a Cyber Tipline Report which was then sent the National Center For Missing & Exploited Children of seven child pornography files uploaded by the username "dawsoncone". The information was forwarded to the Arkansas State Police (ASP) to investigate after the Cyber Tipline Report found the phone number and I.P. address came back to a residence in Melbourne. Later last year, Cone's family moved to Mountain View.

ASP investigators executed a search warrant on Cone's cell phone in January of this year. During questioning, Cone admitted to the fact he viewed and uploaded images and/or videos of child pornography with his cell phone.

A forensic analysis of Cone's phone showed it contained nine images and four videos of underage girls.

Cone is facing 13 counts of distributing, possessing or viewing matter depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child. He is free after posting \$50,000 bond. https://www.ktlo.com/2023/08/30/area-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/

Standoff location presented challenge for authorities, Black Mountain police say

by Ed DiOrio Tue, October 10th 2023

BLACK MOUNTAIN, N.C. (WLOS) — Around 2:30 p.m. Monday, Black Mountain Police identified 56-year-old **Dean Laine** driving through town in his Toyota Tacoma.

"There was information that the person inside the vehicle had warrants for six felony counts of sexual exploitation of minors of second and third degree," Black Mountain Police Chief Steve Parker told News 13 on Tuesday.

What followed was Laine leading units out of Black Mountain into Old Fort, and back into where the chase began. Eventually, it ended at the Apple Blossom Motel.

Laine had been staying in Room 15, where he barricaded himself after police stop strips forced a flat tire. Police had reason to believe Laine was armed.

"We'd received information from a person that he had passed by, saying that he was waving a gun around," Chief Parker said.

As the standoff began, officers knew they had to evacuate the motel residents.

"He did speak of coming out and shooting individuals," Parker said. "We recognized the fact that we needed to evacuate the immediate area where we felt could be threatened. We did that and had no issues."

No shots were fired on either side.

Parker explained how this standoff situation was more difficult compared to a situation at a home in a neighborhood.

"In a home, it's individualized," the police chief said. "Here, we're talking about 16-18 units. So yes, there's a big complexity issue that adds to the danger that's already there."

Just before 9 p.m., units lost communication with Laine.

"We heard two shots from inside his room," Parker said. "We didn't feel threatened that those shots were toward us. So, we didn't use any force whatsoever."

Upon entry, police discovered Laine was dead from a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Nobody else was injured during the events.

Buncombe County Sheriff's Office Crisis Negotiation team, SWAT and Asheville police assisted Black Mountain police, among other units.

"This was a very difficult situation," Parker said. "It's tragic for the suspect's family and other people involved. But overall, we're thankful that no one else who was innocent was hurt."

The Black Mountain Police Forensic investigation is continuing their investigation, but Chief Parker says there is no immediate threat, as Monday was an isolated incident.

https://wlos.com/news/local/black-mountain-standoff-apple-blossom-motel-hours-long-police-buncombe-county-swat-warrants-sexual-exploitation-minors-suspect-chase

Docs: Tacoma man had over 1,100 files of 'child abuse materials' on his phone

By FOX 13 News Staff Published May 10, 2023

TACOMA, Wash. - A <u>Tacoma</u> man has been arrested and charged with 10 counts relating to uploading and possessing child pornography.

Tacoma Police Detectives of the Internet Crimes Against Children Unit began their investigation in November 2022 following a tip from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) CyberTipline.

NCMEC flagged several files that were allegedly uploaded to devices with an IP address belonging to 24-year-old **Desmond Montgomery**.

Tacoma detectives developed probable cause and several search warrants for Montgomery's home and devices were issued during the investigation.

Montgomery's phone was seized in one of the warrants. Detectives say 1,108 files categorized as "child abuse materials" were found, according to court documents.

Some of the videos found on his device depicted child sexual abuse from victims between the ages of eight and 13. One of the victims was an infant, court documents said.

Montgomery has been charged with two counts of first-degree dealing in depictions of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct and eight counts of first-degree possession of depictions of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

According to court documents, the charges stemmed from files found Jan. 31, 2022 to April 26. 2023.

He has been booked into Pierce County Jail.

In a court appearance on Wednesday, he pleaded not guilty to the charges. https://www.fox13seattle.com/news/docs-tacoma-man-had-over-1000-files-of-child-abuse-materials-on-his-phone

Guilderland man arrested on child pornography charges

by: Michael Mahar Posted: Jun 9, 2023

GUILDERLAND, N.Y. (<u>NEWS10</u>) — A Guilderland man was arrested on Wednesday and is charged with possessing child pornography, according to New York State Police. **Devan Zelezniak**, 35, is charged with possessing a sexual performance by a child.

Troopers say Zelezniak is accused of possessing images consistent with child sexual exploitation. Police investigation stemmed from a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Police arrested Zelezniak at his home and took him to Latham State Police quarters for processing. He was arraigned at the Guilderland Town Court and was released on his own recognizance.

https://www.news10.com/news/crime/guilderland-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/

Summerville Man Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of **Devin Elijah McCray**, **II**, 18, of Summerville, S.C., on one charge connected to the sexual exploitation of a minor. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Dorchester County Sheriff's Office made the arrest. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office, also a member of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with the investigation.

Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to McCray. Investigators state McCray distributed files of child sexual abuse material.

McCray was arrested on November 30, 2023. He is charged with one count of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment.

This case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

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https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/summerville-man-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges-3/

BSO: Man had cache of child sexual abuse material, with victims as young as 3

Chris Gothner, Digital Journalist Published: March 23, 2023

DANIA BEACH, Fla. – A northeast Miami-Dade man faced 11 child pornography charges after being arrested outside his Dania Beach workplace Wednesday, but Broward County deputies say his stash of child sexual abuse material likely numbered in the thousands of files.

Diego JD Martinez, 21, who lives in the Ives Estates area, transmitted files of child sexual abuse material across platforms like Google and Instagram from February 2021 to July 2022, deputies said.

According to a Broward Sheriff's Office arrest report, the files depicted children, some as young as 3, engaged in lewd poses or various sex acts with adults or other children.

Martinez was identified as part of an investigation by the South Florida Internet Crimes Against Children task force, the report states.

Deputies said after they arrested Martinez outside of the Dania Beach coffee shop where he works, he voluntarily logged onto an account, which had "several thousand stored files" contained in multiple folders.

According to the BSO report, a brief sampling of each folder revealed that the "overwhelming majority" of the files were of child sexual abuse material.

He was being held in the Broward Main Jail, according to BSO records. https://www.local10.com/news/local/2023/03/23/bso-man-had-cache-of-child-sexual-abuse-material-with-victims-as-young-as-3/

Union County Sheriff's arrest 21-year-old man for child exploitation

Killian was accessing and downloading images and videos flagged as child pornography.

By WBTV Web Staff Published: Jul. 22, 2023

HEMBY BRIDGE, N.C. (WBTV) - Union County sheriff's arrested a man this after an extensive investigation involving Internet Crimes Against Children Investigation.

21-year-old **Dillian Killian** of Hemby Bridge was apprehended after authorities conducted a search warrant at the 5000 block of Hillcrest Circle.

This investigation began after detectives received a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children stating that Killian was accessing and downloading images and videos flagged as child pornography.

Authorities seized multiple electronic devices related to this investigation. All digital evidence seized during this investigation will now be forensically examined within the UCSO's Crime Laboratory by specially trained personnel.

Killian was taken to the Union County Jail and charged with ten counts of felony Second Degree Sexual Exploitation of a Minor. He remains in custody under a \$70,000 secured bond.

https://www.wbtv.com/2023/07/22/union-county-sheriffs-arrest-21-year-old-man-child-exploitation/

Houghton County man charged with possession of child sexually abusive material

Public Radio 90, WNMU | By Nicole Walton Published August 17, 2023 at 7:28 PM EDT

HOUGHTON, MI— A Hancock man has been arrested for viewing child pornography on the internet.

Dominic Barrette, 21, is charged with possession of child sexually abusive material, nine counts of aggravated possession of child sexually abusive material, and ten counts of using a computer to commit a crime.

The Michigan State Police Computer Crimes Unit, Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force says digital evidence was seized in a search of Barrette's residence.

A probable cause conference is set for August 28th and a preliminary hearing for September 1st in Houghton County District Court.

https://www.wnmufm.org/crime/2023-08-17/houghton-county-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-sexually-abusive-material

7 Counts Of Possession Of Child Pornography Filed Against Tampa Man

D'Ann Lawrence White, Patch Staff Posted Thu, Jun 1, 2023

Detectives were able to trace the uploaded porn to 32-year-old Dominic Smarowsky of 4356 Hal Paul Circle, Tampa, the sheriff's office said. (Pinellas Sheriff)

PINELLAS COUNTY, FL — Detectives assigned to the Crimes Against Children Unit at the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office have arrested a Tampa man for possession of child pornography.

According to the sheriff's office, on Sept 29, detectives began an investigation after receiving information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that child pornography was being uploaded via the internet.

Detectives were able to trace the uploaded porn to 32-year-old **Dominic Smarowsky** of 4356 Hal Paul Circle, Tampa, the sheriff's office said.

On May 30, 2023, detectives arrested Smarowsky and charged him with seven counts of possession of child pornography.

When Smarowsky was interviewed by detectives, he admitted to viewing child pornography of children as young as 4 years old.

https://patch.com/florida/clearwater/7-counts-possession-child-pornography-filed-against-tampa-man

Rapid City man pleads guilty to possession of child pornography

By Cody Dennis

Published: Oct. 25, 2023 at 8:28 PM ED

RAPID CITY, S.D. (KEVN) - A Rapid City man pleads guilty to possession of child pornography Wednesday in federal court. 68-year-old **Donald Shepersky** appeared in front of Judge Daneta Wollman Wednesday as part of a plea agreement.

As part of that agreement, Shepersky pleaded guilty to possession of child pornography and all other charges against him were dismissed. This charge carries a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison, a \$250,000 fine, or both.

In a factual basis statement, investigators reported over 470 images and one video of child porn were found on Shepersky's devices.

Judge Wollman accepted Shepersky's plea and his case will now move to sentencing.

https://www.blackhillsfox.com/2023/10/26/rapid-city-man-pleads-guilty-possession-child-pornography/

NEWBURY MAN FACING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES

MAY 14, 2020 BY STAFF REPORT

A Newbury Township man is facing multiple child pornography-related charges for his alleged conduct on Feb. 27.

A Geauga County grand jury has indicted **Donald A. Sinkovec**, 47, on one count of fourth-degree felony pandering sexually-oriented matter involving a minor; one count of fourth-degree felony pandering of obscenity involving a minor; five counts of fifth-degree felony illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material; and one count of fifth-degree possession of criminal tools.

Prosecutors also are asking that Sinkovec be required to forfeit an iPad used in the commission of the alleged offenses, according to the indictment filed May 1.

He is scheduled to be arraigned in Geauga County Common Pleas Court on May 26.

https://www.geaugamapleleaf.com/news/news-briefs-99/

Carp Lake Man Arrested After Being Caught With Child Pornography, MSP Says

Site Staff 06/06/2023 7:01 AM EDT

Michigan State Police say a Carp Lake man is in jail after their Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force caught him with child pornography.

The investigation into 33-year-old **Donavan Patrick Dougherty** started with a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Dougherty is charged with one count aggravated possession of child sexually abusive material, one count possession of sexually abusive material, and two counts using a computer to commit a crime.

The MSP ICAC Task Force was assisted by the Michigan State Police Gaylord Post.

https://www.9and10news.com/2023/06/06/carp-lake-man-arrested-after-being-caught-with-child-pornography/#:~:text=Michigan%20State%20Police%20say%20a,for%20Missing%20and%20Exploited%20Children.

An Eastover man was arrested earlier this month on allegations he possessed images of children being sexually abused, according to court documents.

Lexi Solomon May 17, 2023

Douglas Eugean Brunker, Jr., 47, a truck driver who lives in the 3600 block of Bass Hill Lane, is charged with 10 counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor after investigators allegedly discovered multiple child pornography images on his electronic devices, according to the arrest warrant. Brunker is listed on the N.C. Sex Offender Registry as a result of a 1997 conviction in Colorado for the sexual assault of a 4-year-old child.

The latest investigation stemmed from three CyberTips submitted to the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation, the warrant states. Detectives from the Cumberland County Sheriff's Office searched a Dunn Road home May 5, and Brunker allegedly admitted to having child pornography, according to the warrant.

Forensic examinations of Brunker's devices revealed "multiple files showing child sexual abuse," the arrest warrant states.

Brunker was arrested at 11:27 a.m. on May 5. He remained in the Cumberland County jail Monday with bail set at \$100,000 secured.

https://www.fayobserver.com/story/news/crime/2023/05/16/cumberland-county-man-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/70208423007/

Jefferson County, Ill. man facing child pornography charge

By Amber Ruch

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JEFFERSON COUNTY, Ill. (KFVS) - A southern Illinois man is facing a child pornography charge after a year-long investigation.

Douglas A. Farris, 28, was arrested on a warrant charging him with child pornography.

His bond was set at \$250,000.

According to the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, they received a cybertip through their membership with the Internet Crime Against Children Task Force on June 27, 2022 about suspected child porn activity.

The investigation led to a search warrant for digital records for various internet and social media platforms. Investigators then identified the suspect and got a search warrant for his home.

On July 25, 2022, they served the search warrant at a home in the 1200 block of 25th Street in Mount Vernon. During the search, they collected evidence for analysis.

According to the sheriff's office, investigators conducted multiple interviews and served more search warrants for digital records.

The investigation came to an end in March 2023 and was sent to the State's Attorney's Office for criminal charges.

The suspect, identified as Douglas Farris, was found at his home on July 7 and arrested.

https://www.kfvs12.com/2023/07/10/jefferson-county-ill-man-facing-child-pornography-charge/

Henry charged with 10 counts of possession of child pornography

Jason Schulte June 15, 2023

A Baldwin man was charged last week in St. Croix County Circuit Court with 10 counts of possession of child pornography.

The next court appearance for **Douglas J. Henry**, 58, is a July 18 preliminary hearing.

The charge is a Class D felony, which comes with a maximum penalty of \$100,000 and/or 25 years prison if convicted.

According to the criminal complaint, Baldwin Police along with St. Croix County Sheriff's Investigators and Department of Criminal Investigation officers arrived at Henry's house June 2 to execute a search warrant. Upon the search, they found an external hard drive which had 12 videos of children performing sexual acts.

Henry was arrested that day. A cash bond of \$5,000 was set during his initial appearance June 5.

 $https://www.baldwin-bulletin.com/news/henry-charged-with-10-counts-of-possession-of-child-pornography/article_3f7b3ba4-0abb-11ee-bb7e-6f9e84358c09.html\\$

Kootenai County Man Arrested for Alleged Sexual Exploitation of a Child

CATEGORY: <u>ICAC</u> February 27, 2023

(Boise) – Attorney General Raúl Labrador has announced a Coeur d'Alene man was arrested on Thursday, February 23, for alleged sexual exploitation of a child. This was following a lengthy investigation conducted by investigators with his Idaho Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Unit.

55-year-old **Douglas M. Tonning** was booked into the Kootenai County Jail. He is alleged to have possessed sexually exploitative material.

"Our ICAC team continues to do tremendous work every day. I'm proud of their dedication to defending the defenseless. We will never stop fighting to keep the children of Idaho safe," Attorney General Labrador said.

Coeur d'Alene Police Department, Idaho State Police and Kootenai County Prosecuting Attorney's Office all assisted the ICAC Unit with the investigation.

Anyone with information regarding the exploitation of children is encouraged to contact local police, the Attorney General's ICAC Unit at 208-947-8700, or the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children at 1-800-843-5678.

The Attorney General's ICAC Unit works with the Idaho ICAC Task Force, a coalition of federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies, to investigate and prosecute individuals who use the internet to criminally exploit children.

Parents, educators and law enforcement officials can find more information and helpful resources at the ICAC website, ICACIdaho.org.

https://www.ag.idaho.gov/newsroom/kootenai-county-man-arrested-for-alleged-sexual-exploitation-of-a-child/

5 Mesa County men arrested for having child pornography

by: Nick Koziara

Posted: Sep 28, 2023 / 06:37 PM MDT Updated: Sep 28, 2023 / 06:37 PM MDT

MESA COUNTY, Colo. (KREX) — Law enforcement arrested five men in Mesa County for being in possession of child pornography.

The Mesa County Sheriff's Office, Homeland Security Investigation and the Colorado Bureau of Investigations conducted a several month-long investigation that ended in the arrest of five Grand Valley residents for having child pornography on their electronic devices.

62-year-old Michael Forstner of Grand Junction was arrested on 12 counts of sexual exploitation of a child.

42-year-old Michael Jason of Fruita was arrested on six sounds of sexual exploitation of a child, three of those being children under the age of 12.

44-year-old **Dustin McClain** of Grand Junction was arrested on seven counts of sexual exploitation of a child, four of those being children under the age of 12.

21-year-old Jason McNally of Clifton was arrested on four counts of sexual exploitation of a child, four of those being children under the age of 12.

18-year-old Syril Palmer of Clifton was arrested on two counts of sexual exploitation of a child.

https://www.westernslopenow.com/news/5-mesa-county-men-arrested-for-having-child-pornography/#:~:text=44%2Dyear%2Dold%20Dustin%20McClain,under%20the%20age%20of%2012

BROWARD COUNTY MAN ARRESTED ON CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES

BSO Case Number: 90-2302-006096

Date: March 8, 2023

Suspect: Dylan Kenyon-Jones, 28, 6/10/1994, male, 5156 N.E. Fifth Ave.,

Oakland Park

Description of Incident:

The Broward Sheriff's Office Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) arrested an Oakland Park man on 11 charges related to child pornography.

On Tuesday, ICAC detectives arrested **Dylan Kenyon-Jones** on charges of possessing child pornography and using a computer to compile child pornography.

According to investigators, the ICAC unit in North Florida received tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that an individual was possessing and transmitting images of child pornography on social media. The investigation revealed that Kenyon-Jones was the suspect. As the investigation proceeded, it was learned that Kenyon-Jones relocated to South Florida.

On March 8, with the assistance of BSO SWAT, ICAC served a search warrant at Kenyon-Jones' residence. On a laptop found in Kenyon-Jones' room, detectives located more than 100 images of child pornography depicting children ages 6-12 years of age engaged in sexual acts or posed in a sexual manner.

Following his arrest, Kenyon-Jones was booked at the BSO Main Jail. https://www.sheriff.org/PIO/BSONews/Pages/BROWARD-COUNTY-MAN-ARRESTED-ON-CHILD-PORNOGRAPHY-CHARGES.aspx

Chamois man indicted on federal child porn charges

By Neal A. Johnson, UD Editor Posted Wednesday, February 1, 2023 2:00 am

CHAMOIS — **Dylan J. Minor**, 26, of Chamois, was indicted on Jan. 17, on federal charges — production, receipt, and possession of child pornography — and arrested without incident on Monday, Jan. 23, by Osage County deputies, who worked in conjunction with the Franklin County Cyber Crimes Unit.

Sheriff Mike Bonham noted that Minor has been under investigation for some time.

"Dylan Minor was downloading child sexual images," Bonham said. "Agents seized his computer and hard drive on the initial search warrant."

Magistrate Judge Willie J. Epps, Jr. issued the warrant for Minor's arrest.

Minor was booked into the Osage County Jail and later transferred to Cole County, which is the holding location for federal suspects.

https://www.unterrifieddemocrat.com/stories/chamois-man-indicted-on-federal-child-porn-charges,64670

Pittsfield man arrested, allegedly possessed more than 1,500 child sex abuse images

Updated: 11:05 AM EDT Sep 17, 2023

By Matt Leighton

PITTSFIELD, N.H. —

A New Hampshire man is facing over a dozen charges after investigators said they uncovered over 1,500 child sex abuse images and videos.

Pittsfield police said the images were found during a search of **Earl Stone's** apartment on Friday morning.

They said their investigation was sparked by a cyber tip about someone downloading child sex abuse material.

Stone is being held on preventative detention until his arraignment. Stone is charged with 15 counts of child pornography-related offenses, police said. https://www.wmur.com/article/nh-man-allegedly-possessed-child-sex-abuse-images/45177837

Racine man arrested on 5 counts of child pornography charges

by Denise Lockwood June 23rd, 2023

RACINE, WI — A Racine man is being held on child pornography charges after law enforcement officials received over 100 cyber tips.

Edward C. Domenech, 60, of Racine, is facing five counts of possession of child pornography. The Racine Police Department (RPD) referred the charges to the Racine County District Attorney's Office on Friday, according to a press release by the RPD.

The Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC), General Investigations, and the Department of Justice executed a knock-and-announce search warrant at 2:12 p.m., on Thursday, June 22 at a business in the 3500 block of Spring St.

Child pornography investigation launched after receiving 110 cyber tips

Following an ongoing investigation by ICAC, a search warrant was issued which led to the discovery of child pornography on Domenech's computer. The investigation was launched after the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received 110 cyber tips regarding an IP address associated with Domenech's address. After interviewing Domenech, who admitted to downloading child pornography intermittently for 30 years.

Any witnesses, or citizens with information are urged to contact Crime Stoppers by phone at 262-636-9330 or through the Crime Stoppers app or website.

Racine Police investigators want to gather additional information about this incident. They urge witnesses and anyone with relevant information to contact the Racine Police Department Investigations Unit at 262-635-7756.

https://racinecountyeye.com/2023/06/23/racine-man-arrest-child-pornography/

TOMS RIVER MAN CHARGED WITH POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

Ocean County Prosecutor Bradley D. Billhimer announced that on August 24, 2023, **Edward Lynch**, 52, of Toms River, was charged with Possession of Child Pornography.

This investigation was the result of a referral from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). NCMEC received cyber-tips that an individual was downloading images of child pornography from the internet; an investigation by the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office High Tech Crime Unit identified an IP address associated with a residence in Toms River as the location from which the individual was downloading these images.

On August 24, 2023, Detectives from the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office High Tech Crime Unit, Toms River Township Police Department, and Toms River Township Police Department Emergency Services Unit, executed a court-authorized search warrant on the subject residence. As a result, Detectives seized multiple electronic devices from the residence. A forensic examination of the devices by the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office High Tech Crime Unit led to the discovery of more than 1000 images of child pornography. Further investigation revealed that Lynch was the individual responsible for downloading the child pornography in question. Lynch was taken into custody at his residence without incident; he was thereafter transported to the Ocean County Jail, where he is presently lodged pending a detention hearing.

Prosecutor Billhimer commends the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office High Tech Crime Unit, Toms River Township Police Department, Toms River Township Police Department Emergency Services Unit, and National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, for their collaborative assistance in connection with this investigation leading to Lynch's arrest.

The charges referenced above are merely accusations and the press and public are reminded that all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

R.P.C. 3.6(b)(6).

https://ocponj.gov/toms-river-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography-2/

NORTH ARLINGTON, NJ MAN ARRESTED FOR CHILD PORNOGRAPHY-RELATED CHARGES

For Immediate Release: May 19, 2023

Bergen County Prosecutor Mark Musella announced the arrest of **EDWARD A. TORRES** (DOB: 9/09/1999; single; unemployed) of 39 Union Place, North Arlington, NJ on the charges of production of child pornography, possession and distribution of child pornography, debauching the morals of a child, endangering the welfare of a child, and hindering apprehension. The arrest is the result of an investigation conducted by the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office under the direction of Chief Jason Love.

On Thursday, May 18, 2023, members of the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit executed a search warrant at the residence of EDWARD TORRES during the course of an Internet child pornography investigation. The investigation revealed that TORRES used the Internet to view, download, possess, and distribute items depicting nude and/or sexually explicit prepubescent and pubescent children. In addition, TORRES used the Internet to engage in live, one-on-one web chats with children, and engaged in sexually explicit dialogue. TORRES instructed children to expose their naked intimate body parts in exchange for payment and took screenshots of the encounters. Additionally, TORRES would instruct children to send him sexually explicit images and videos of themselves. Upon the arrival of law enforcement during the execution of the search warrant, TORRES hindered his own apprehension by concealing and attempting to destroy evidence.

As a result of the investigation, EDWARD A. TORRES was arrested on Thursday, May 18, 2023 in Paramus, NJ and charged with first-degree production of child pornography, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(3); second-degree distribution of child pornography, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(a)(i); third-degree possession of child pornography, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(b)(iii); third-degree endangering the welfare of a child, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4a(2); third-degree debauching the morals of a child, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4a(1); and third-degree hindering apprehension of oneself, N.J.S.A. 2C:29:3b(3). TORRES was remanded to the Bergen County Jail pending a first appearance in Central Judicial Processing Court in Hackensack.

This investigation, led by the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit, is ongoing. Any parent or guardian who determines that their child

received inappropriate communications from the following social media accounts may contact the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Tips Line at (201) 226-5532:

Prosecutor Musella states that the charges are merely an accusation, and that the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. Prosecutor Musella thanks the North Arlington Police Department for their assistance, as well as the Bergen County Sheriff's Office, and the Englewood, Paramus and Lyndhurst Police Departments which participate in the Bergen County Cyber Crimes Task Force.

https://www.bcpo.net/north-arlington-nj-man-arrested-for-child-pornography-related-charges/

Deputies arrested a Carroll County man on Wednesday after an investigation developed evidence of possession of child pornography

By Carroll County Observer - March 22, 2023

Westminster, Carroll County, Maryland; March 22, 2023 — Deputies arrested a Carroll County man on Wednesday after a Maryland State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force investigation developed evidence of possession of child pornography.

The suspect is identified as **Edwin John Calderone III**, 40, of Westminster, Maryland. Calderone is charged with six counts of possession of child pornography. Calderon was transported to the Carroll County Detention Center and was held with no bond after his initial appearance with the Commissioner.

Beginning in January 2023, the Carroll County Advocacy and Investigation Center initiated an investigation into the possession of child pornography online after receiving a NCMEC Cybertip. According to a preliminary investigation, investigators obtained media files of child pornography that were uploaded to a cloud-based storage company. Further investigations led to the identification of the suspect in Carroll County.

On Wednesday, members of the Maryland State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and Carroll County Advocacy and Investigation Center served a search and seizure warrant at Calderone's residence. A preliminary forensic review of his electronic devices seized at the scene revealed multiple child pornography files. Calderone was arrested at the scene.

The Carroll County Advocacy and Investigation Center coordinates with the Maryland Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. This is a combined law enforcement effort involving police departments across Maryland that is made possible in part due to grant funds provided by the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth and Victim Services and by a federal grant from the U.S. Department of Justice. Task force investigators focus on identifying those involved in child pornography via the Internet and other related crimes that victimize children.

https://carrollcountyobserver.com/2023/03/22/deputies-arrested-a-carroll-county-man-on-wednesday-after-aninvestigation-developed-evidence-of-possession-of-child-developed-evidence-of-possession-of

pornography/#:~:text=The%20suspect%20is%20identified%20as,initial%20appearance%20with%20the%20Commiss ioner.

Former Servicemember Sentenced to 30 Years for Directing Minors to Produce Child Pornography

Friday, March 24, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Virginia

NEWPORT NEWS, Va. – A Surprise, Arizona, man was sentenced this week to 30 years in prison and a lifetime of supervised release for production of child sexual abuse material (CSAM).

According to court documents, from summer of 2021 through March 2022, **Elliott Velez**, 38, used over 28 known fictitious social media accounts across multiple platforms to engage in sexually graphic conversations with girls under the age of 18. During these conversations with the victims, Velez would instruct them to engage in sexually explicit conduct, take photos or videos, and send the images to him. Velez would give explicit instructions on what he wanted them to do and who he wanted them to engage in sexually explicit conduct with, including other underage individuals. Review of just one account during the span of just one week Velez had engaged in over 7,000 lines of sexually graphic conversations with minors. Velez would use a recording device on his phone to ensure that he could keep these videos and images without the victim's knowledge.

Velez was an active-duty Senior Master Sergeant in the Air Force who was located in Newport News during the time of his illegal conduct.

Jessica D. Aber, U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia; Brian Dugan, Special Agent in Charge of the FBI's Norfolk Field Office; Derek W. Gordon, Acting Special Agent in Charge of U.S. Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Washington, D.C.; and Steve R. Drew, Chief of Newport News Police, made the announcement after sentencing by Senior U.S. District Judge Raymond A. Jackson.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Devon Heath prosecuted the case.

This case was investigated by the FBI's Norfolk Child Exploitation Task Force (NCETF), as part of Project Safe Childhood. The NCETF is composed of FBI agents and detectives from the Chesapeake Police Department, Hampton Police Division, and Newport News Police Department. Assistance in this matter was also provided by federal agents from Homeland Security Investigations. The task force

is charged with investigating and bringing federal charges against individuals engaged in the exploitation of children. Tips regarding child exploitation can be provided to the task force at 1-800-CALL-FBI or tips.fbi.gov.

In 2021, EDVA launched "UnMasked," a community-based educational outreach and prevention program in Virginia dedicated to raising awareness and educating the community about the prevalence of online sexual exploitation involving children and young adults. UnMasked is a multi-disciplinary partnership of local, state, federal, and non-profit stakeholders. The core curriculum is provided by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children's (NCMEC) NetSmartz program. To report an incident involving online sexual exploitation, call 1-800-843-5678 or submit a report at report.cybertip.org. To request an UnMasked event at your school or organization, please contact EDVA's Community Outreach Coordinator at USAVAE-UnMasked@usdoj.gov.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-edva/pr/former-service member-sentenced-30-years-directing-minors-produce-child-pornography

Elmira man accused of uploading child sex abuse material

by: Carl Aldinger

Posted: Apr 25, 2023

ELMIRA, N.Y. (<u>WETM</u>) – Elmira Police have arrested a man accused of uploading images of child sex abuse online.

EPD said that officers executed a search warrant at the home of **Emanuel Juarez**, 23, around 7:00 a.m. on April 25. According to the police report, the NYS Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force after a tip was sent to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The tip alleged that Juarez uploaded child sexual abuse material to the internet.

Juarez was charged with one count of Promoting a Sexual Performance of a Child. He was taken to jail to wait for an appearance in Elmira City Court. The FBI helped Elmira Police with the investigation.

https://www.mytwintiers.com/crime/elmira-man-accused-of-uploading-child-sex-abuse-material/

Hephzibah mom jailed after explicit video of daughter goes online

Greg Rickabaugh DATE September 14, 2023

A Hephzibah mother was arrested Wednesday on allegations that a sexually-explicit video of her 9-year-old daughter ended up online, authorities said.

Emily Jo Anne Weathers, 27, was charged with enticing a child for indecent purposes, as well as a violation of the Computer Pornography & Child Exploitation Prevention Act.

According to authorities, the mother made a video of her daughter in the bathroom fully nude and showing her privates. The video ended up online, leading to a report to law enforcement.

The date of offense is listed as Friday, and she was arrested this week on the Richmond County warrants. She was being held Wednesday night at the Charles B. Webster Detention Center under no bond.

Weathers also has a warrant from other authorities, according to jail records. The young mother has two previous arrests in McDuffie County, including one for DUI.

https://theaugustapress.com/hephzibah-mom-jailed-after-explicit-video-of-daughter-goes-online/linear-goes-online/linear-goes-online/linear-goes-online/linear-goes-online/linear-goes-online/linear-goes-online/linear-goes-online/linear-goes-online/linear-goes-online/linear-goes-onl

Man faces child sexual abuse material charges in Chesapeake

by: Brian Reese

Posted: Dec 15, 2023 / 11:31 AM EST Updated: Dec 15, 2023 / 11:31 AM EST

CHESAPEAKE, Va. (WAVY) — A 20-year-old faces multiple charges in Chesapeake related to child sexual abuse material.

Chesapeake police haven't shared many details in the case, but said **Emmari Frank Lopez** was arrested after an investigation into a tip that Lopez was in an inappropriate relationship with a juvenile.

Lopez faces five felony charges, including entice minor to perform in porn (under age 15), and manufacture child porn.

He was booked in jail on Thursday afternoon and had his first court appearance Friday in Chesapeake Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court. https://www.wavy.com/news/crime/man-faces-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges-in-chesapeake/

Florida woman caught with child pornography faces 149 counts for sexually abusing her dog, deputies say

Alberto Luperon August 2, 2023

A young woman in Brandon, Florida, faces 152 criminal counts after authorities claim she sexually abused her dog and possessed child sexual abuse material.

Emoree Romero, 18, turned herself in on Thursday after detectives obtained an arrest warrant, the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office announced on Wednesday.

"On July 3, 2023, HCSO's Internet Predator Unit received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that someone in the 1900 block of Lido Drive in Brandon, FL was uploading child pornography," deputies wrote.

Detectives got in touch with Romero.

She allegedly let them search her cellphone. Inside, they discovered "multiple files of Romero engaging in sexual acts with her pet dog," authorities said.

Detectives said they got a search warrant. They claimed to find more images and videos of child pornography and bestiality.

"These kinds of investigations are not easy for our detectives, who are often subjected to some of the worst things a person can see," Sheriff Chad Chronister said. "I am beyond proud that our detectives have brought this predator to justice. Our hearts and thoughts go out to the victims of this disturbing crime."

Romero faces 100 counts of filming, distributing, or possessing an image or video of sexual activity with an animal; 49 counts of engaging in sexual contact with an animal; two counts of possession of child pornography; and one count of unlawful use of a two-day communication device.

Records show she waived her arraignment and pleaded not guilty Friday. Authorities released her on her own recognizance Saturday.

Her attorney of record did not immediately respond to a Law&Crime request for comment.

https://lawandcrime.com/crime/florida-woman-caught-with-child-pornography-faces-149-counts-for-sexually-abusing-her-dog-deputies-say/

Child sex abuse material, Kenosha County man charged

By FOX6 News Digital Team Published August 18, 2023

KENOSHA, Wis. - A Kenosha County man was arrested in a child sexual abuse material investigation on Wednesday, Aug. 16.

The investigation began when the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department Sensitive Crimes Detectives got a cybertip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Authorities said the tip reported a Kenosha County resident was uploading and receiving "child sexual abuse material" through an online messaging application.

The account referenced in the tip was linked back to an address in Trevor, which the sheriff's department said belonged to **Eric Johnson**.

Kenosha County Sheriff's Department detectives searched Johnson's home and devices. He was not at home at the time of the warrant and later turned himself in

Court records show Johnson is charged with:

Possession of child pornography (1 count)

Child sexual exploitation - produce, perform, etc. (27 counts)

Johnson is being held in the Kenosha County Jail on a \$100,000 cash bond, officials said.

https://www.fox6now.com/news/child-sexual-abuse-material-kenosha-county-arrest

New Port Richey Man Sentenced To More Than 30 Years In Federal Prison For Producing Child Sex Abuse Material

Wednesday, January 11, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Middle District of Florida

Tampa, Florida – U.S. District Judge Virginia Hernandez Covington has sentenced **Eric Paul Jones** (44, New Port Richey) to 30 years and 5 months in federal prison for production and possession of child sex abuse material. The court also ordered Jones to forfeit the electronic devices used in the commission of the offense and entered an order of restitution to the victims in the amount of \$18,528, and an assessment in the amount of \$18,000 to the Amy, Vicky, and Andy Child Pornography Victim Assistance Fund. Jones had pleaded guilty on October 13, 2022.

According to court documents, Jones belonged to an online group dedicated to discussing and trading child sex abuse material. On April 19, 2021, Jones began communicating with an undercover FBI agent. Jones told the undercover agent that he had engaged in sexual activity with a 10-year-old child, to whom he had access. Jones then sent the undercover agent sexually explicit videos and images he had produced of the child victim, as well as child sex abuse material he possessed of other victims.

A few days later, on April 22, 2021, the FBI executed a search warrant for Jones's residence, as well as for the cellphone Jones had used to communicate with the undercover agent. A search of Jones's cellphone revealed that he was in possession of more than 100 child sex abuse images and videos of young children engaged in sexually explicit conduct, some of which included infants and toddlers subjected to bondage and sadomasochistic conduct. The FBI also found the same images and videos that Jones had sent to the undercover agent on Jones's cellphone. Jones later admitted to agents that he had been producing child sex abuse images of the child victim for several years.

"While it's heartbreaking to learn of yet another child victim of a sexual predator, it's reassuring to learn of the dedicated work by special agents to make sure that predator spends a long time in prison for his despicable crime," said FBI Tampa Division Special Agent in Charge David Walker.

This case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, with assistance from the Metropolitan Police Department of the District of Columbia, the Pasco Sheriff's Office, and the Tampa Police Department. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Lisa M. Thelwell.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who sexually exploit children, and to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-mdfl/pr/new-port-richey-man-sentenced-more-30-years-federal-prison-producing-child-sex-abuse

San Diego man charged with attempted child porn production; Officials looking for potential victims

He FBI said victims who participated in youth sports were primarily targeted

By City News Service and Brenda Gregorio-Nieto • Published July 12, 2023

The San Diego Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the San Diego Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force are asking for the public's help in identifying potential victims of an alleged sexual offender from University City.

Eric Jacob Layton, who previously went by Eric Leighton Abrams, is accused of posing as a doctor, sports reporter, massage therapist and youth sports modeling agent in order to solicit sexually explicit photographs from minors and/or arrange in-person meetings with the juveniles.

He is facing federal charges in Florida, but according to the FBI, several other potential victims have been identified and are believed to be based out of San Diego.

The FBI said victims who participated in youth sports were primarily targeted. Layton has presented himself as a sports massage therapist named Travis Parkin who specialized in youth athletics and as a sports physician named Dr. Alexis Iniesta, the FBI said.

Layton was arrested last Thursday at his home in connection with the alleged solicitation of a 15-year-old Florida boy and awaits extradition to Florida.

According to a criminal complaint filed in federal court, Layton originally reached out to the boy via Instagram and claimed to be a writer for a sports publication.

He later allegedly posed as a physician -- Dr. Iniesta -- and asked the boy a series of questions over the phone that he claimed were necessary for the boy to participate in his sport. Many of the questions were sexually explicit in nature, according to the complaint, which states Layton also sought pictures of the boy that he claimed "were required to determine the minor victim's physical development."

The Instagram and email accounts used to contact the boy were found to be linked to Layton, the complaint states.

Layton was booked into county jail and held on \$275,000 bail. He was later released on bond with a hearing set for July 17.

https://www.nbcsandiego.com/news/local/san-diego-man-charged-with-attempted-child-porn-production-officials-looking-for-potential-victims/3262991/

NOV 27, 2023

Indian Land man arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* charges

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of **Erick Joseph French**, 25, of Indian Land, S.C., on 11 charges connected to the sexual exploitation of a minor. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office made the arrest. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office and Homeland Security Investigations, both also members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with this investigation.

Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to French. Investigators state French distributed and possessed files of child sexual abuse material.

French was arrested on November 21, 2023. He is charged with one count of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment; and 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, third degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

The case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

* Child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, is a more accurate reflection of the material involved in these heinous and abusive crimes. "Pornography" can imply the child was a consenting participant. Globally, the term child pornography is being replaced by CSAM for this reason.

 $https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/indian-land-man-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges/\#: \sim: text=Investigators \% 20 received \% 20 a \% 20 Cyber Tipline \% 20 report, arrested \% 20 on \% 20 November \% 20 21 \% 20 C \% 20 20 23$

Aurora man facing 21 child porn charges

FOX 32 Digital Staff November 30, 2023

AURORA, Ill. - An Aurora man has been charged with possessing and sharing child pornography.

Erick Nunez, 21, allegedly disseminated and possessed videos and images containing child porn prior to May 22, according to the Kane County State's Attorney's Office.

He was charged with 11 counts of child pornography, a Class X felony, and 10 counts of child pornography, a Class 2 felony.

Nunez was ordered to be on electronic home monitoring while his case is pending. He is scheduled to appear in court on Dec. 20.

No further information was provided.

https://news.yahoo.com/aurora-man-facing-21-child-165030233.html#:~:text=Erick%20Nunez%2C%2021%2C%20allegedly%20disseminated,pornography%2C%20a%20Class%202%20felony

Saraland man charged with child porn possession

By Brendan Kirby Published: Jun. 22, 2023

MOBILE, Ala. (<u>WALA</u>) - An expanded internet crimes unit at the Mobile County Sheriff's Office has resulted in another arrest – a 26-year-old man accused of having child pornography.

Erik Joseph Rafter, of Saraland, did not say a word as deputies led him to jail after his arrest Thursday.

Mobile County Sheriff Paul Burch said the department's Internet Crimes Against Children unit developed Rafter as a suspect and arrested him Thursday after receiving a tip about his whereabouts. The Sheriff's Office charged him with five counts of possession of child pornography.

"That's what this unit does, and we're not gonna get into details as to how we do it," he said. "But they did what they do and was able to identify him and, you know, he is a sexual predator of children."

Burch said Rafter moved with his parents from Tennessee to Alabama about a year ago. He said the defendant was living and working at a trailer park.

The sheriff <u>beefed up</u> the Internet Crimes Against Children unit in February, assigning three detectives to the squad. He said, unfortunately, the detectives have more than enough work. He said the unit has made about a dozen arrests.

"They're working diligently every day," he said. "You know, unfortunately, they are a small unit. I hope to increase the size of that unit. Sadly, there's a need for it. ... I was saddened to learn how great the need is for additional personnel to have to address these kinds of crimes in our community."

Burch said the prevalence of child sexual offenses is eye-opening.

"And it comes from all walks of life," he said. "You know, young people, old people, rich people, poor people. Would like to say I'm shocked, but I'm not, to know how many people there are out there doing it."

https://www.fox10tv.com/2023/06/22/saraland-man-charged-with-child-porn-possession/

Arrest Log: May 8 - 14

The Newnan Times-Herald 7/20/23

An arrest constitutes only the initiation of charges, and those arrested are presumed innocent unless or until proven guilty in a court of law.

The arresting departments are noted: Coweta County Sheriff's Office (CCSO), Chattahoochee Hills Police Department (CHPD), Criminal Investigation Division (CID), Coweta Probation (CPRB), Child Support (CLDS), Crime Suppression Unit (CSU), District Court (DC), Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), Georgia Department of Public Safety (DOPS), Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI), Georgia Department of Corrections (GDC), Georgia Department of Natural Resources (GDNR), Georgia State Patrol (GSP), Grantville City Court (GRTV), Grantville Police Department (GPD), Magistrate Court (MAG), Newnan City Court (NWCT), Newnan Police Department (NPD), Newnan Probation (NPRB), Palmetto Police Department (PPD), Department of Community Supervision (PARL), Private Investigator (PRIV), Senoia City Court (SNCT), Senoia Police Department (SPD), State Probation (STPR), Superior Court (SUP), U.S. Marshals (USM), or others.

Violation of probation or parole is listed as VOP, violation of the Georgia controlled substance act is listed as VGCSA, failure to appear is noted as FTA, hold for other agency is listed as HOA, family violence act is listed as FVA, failure to maintain lane is listed as FTML and driving under the influence is abbreviated DUI.

All persons arrested, except those held by orders of the magistrate or those arrested for violation of probation, are released from custody after posting bond or paying a fine. The following arrest bookings were listed in the Coweta County Jail. The arresting departments are noted:

May 8

Atwood, Ethan Charles, 18 - child exploitation, CCSO

Brogdon, Pamela Elizabeth, 56 - DUI, stopping/standing prohibited in specified places, CCSO

Caro, Diana Cristina, 29 - obedience to traffic control device, driving while unlicensed,

https://www.times-herald.com/news/arrest-log-may-8---14/article_96b6d272-f411-11ed-93bc-532e1de815d1.html

Pawtucket man facing child pornography charges

by: Sarah Doiron

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PAWTUCKET, R.I. (WPRI) — Special agents arrested a Pawtucket man Tuesday following a months-long child pornography investigation, 12 News has learned.

Eugenio Gomes, 46, has been charged with possession of and receiving child pornography.

Gomes' arrest stemmed from a U.S. Department of Homeland Security investigation that began back in August when special agents identified a phone number that had uploaded dozens of files depicting child pornography.

That phone number was eventually traced back to Gomes, according to a court affidavit obtained by 12 News.

Special agents searched Gomes' Seabiscuit Place home Tuesday, during which his laptop, tablet, cell phone, external hard drive and eight thumb drives were taken.

The affidavit states that a forensic analyst uncovered thousands of images depicting child pornography on Gomes' tablet alone.

While speaking with special agents, Gomes admitted that he had been downloading child pornography for roughly 10 years, according to the affidavit.

Gomes was released on a \$10,000 unsecured bond and ordered to wear a GPS monitoring bracelet pending his next court date, which has not yet been scheduled.

https://www.wpri.com/news/local-news/blackstone-valley/pawtucket-man-facing-child-pornography-charges/

Camden man charged with possession of child pornography

by Bradly Gill | June 1, 2023

According to a probable cause affidavit from the 13th Judicial Drug Task Force, a Camden man has been charged with possessing a medium depicting sexual conduct with a child and viewing matter depicting sex with a child, both class C felonies.

Eulus Queen, 42, is currently being housed in the Ouachita County Detention Center.

According to the affidavit, on November 11, 2022 Microsoft reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that an unknown subject had uploaded an image that matched hash values to known child pornography images.

On February 7, an administrative subpoena was sent by the Arkansas State Police to Satco, an internet service provider, which provided the IP address from which the image was allegedly uploaded.

On February 22, Judge Spencer Singleton signed a search warrant for Queen's residence. Numerous electronic devices were seized during the search.

According to the affidavit, Queen was at the residence and waived his Miranda Rights, allegedly telling officers he knew why they were at the residence and that he "looked at pictures of children naked."

The report states that Queen, asked how long he had been doing this, stated that he looked at photos on several occasions but could not give an exact number of the times he had done so.

Investigators stated Queen said he used his laptop to access child pornography several times over the years.

Queen waived his first appearance, until he could speak to an attorney. https://www.camdenarknews.com/news/2023/jun/01/camden-man-charged-with-possession-of-child/

Man arrested, accused of owning hundreds of child pornography files

by Troy Myers Mon, November 6th 2023

ROYAL PALM BEACH, Fla. (CBS12) — Charged with 30 counts of possession of 10 or more files of sexual performance by a child, a 20-year-old man from Brazil living in Royal Palm Beach faces up to 150 years in prison if convicted on each offense.

Ezequiel Werneck Dasilva was arrested Wednesday morning by Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO) deputies. According to the affidavit, the investigation began in May from a National Center for Missing and Exploited Children Cybertip, which led to the uncovering of hundreds of child sexual abuse materials, including that of infants.

Google reported the initial suspected uploading of nearly 70 child sexual abuse files on May 23.

Three days later, a search warrant was served to Google for additional information regarding the account linked to the Cybertip. Over 100 more videos were revealed to be stored within the suspect's account, the arrest report said.

Early last week, a judge approved a search warrant on the suspect's residence off Wakulla Springs Way, allowing the PBSO SWAT team and HEAT unit to enter the home.

Once the search was executed, a detective met with all the house's residents. The record showed Dasilva was interviewed first, admitted something in the affidavit which was redacted and denied ever touching a child. Two forensic detectives conducted a quick search of the 20-year-old's cellphone at the scene.

Over 30 more files of child sexual abuse were allegedly on the device, including victims as young as infants.

At the man's first appearance hearing last week, his mother, father and sister were present, court records show. As of Monday afternoon, Dasilva remains in the Palm Beach County Jail with a total bond amount of \$450,000.

Per the conditions of his bond, the defendant is ordered to have no contact with any minor children, no internet access and surrender all travel documents and passport to the clerk's office.

https://cbs12.com/news/local/ezequiel-werneck-dasilva-child-porn-possession-abuse-materials-arrested-google-cybertip-reported-hundreds-videos-images-infants-victims-palm-beach-sheriff-office-swat-florida-november-6-2023

Glendale Heights man facing 8 child pornography charges

by: Andy Koval Posted: May 17, 2023

GLENDALE HEIGHTS, III. — A suburban man was arrested Tuesday following a search warrant related to a child pornography investigation.

Felix Alejandro, 61, is facing eight counts of possession of child pornography.

On Tuesday, officers executed a search warrant at his Glendale Heights home, located in the 000 block of Shorewood Drive.

Alejandro's bond was set at \$250,000.

https://wgntv.com/western-suburbs/glendale-heights-man-facing-8-child-pornography-charges/

TGCSO: Local man arrested for possessing 80+ videos, images of children

by: Ashtin Wade

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SAN ANGELO, Texas (<u>Concho Valley Homepage</u>) — A San Angelo man was arrested for allegedly possessing child pornography on Dec. 19 after a National Center for Missing and Exploited Children CyberTip led to an investigation by the Tom Green County Sheriff's Office.

Floyd Tumey, 33 was arrested and booked on five counts of possession of child pornography.

According to a press release from the TGCSO, the Criminal Investigation Division began an investigation after receiving a CyberTip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The sheriff's office executed a search warrant on Dec. 19 in the 2500 Blk of Bowie St., where they located Tumey. Local law enforcement reported Tumey was in possession of more than 80 videos and images of "young children engaging in sexual conduct".

Tumey was booked in the Tom Green County Detention Center on Dec. 19 on five counts of possession of child pornography, which is a third-degree felony. https://www.conchovalleyhomepage.com/news/local-news/tom-green-county/tgcso-local-man-arrested-for-possessing-80-videos-images-of-children/

Man arrested for possessing child pornography in Orleans County

Evan Bourtis News10NBC Updated: June 20, 2023

MEDINA, N.Y. — A New York State Police investigation led to the arrest of a man in Orleans County for child pornography.

Fnu Raine, 29 of Medina, is charged with ten counts of possessing a sexual performance by a child. State Police say they found child pornography in the Town of Shelby in collaboration with the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Raine was issued an appearance ticket and is scheduled to return to court in August.

https://www.whec.com/top-news/man-arrested-for-possessing-child-pornography-in-orleans-county/

UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ MAN CHARGED WITH DISTRIBUTION AND POSSESSION OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE MATERIAL AND ATTEMPTED ENDANGERING THE WELFARE OF A CHILD

For Immediate Release: June 23, 2023

Bergen County Prosecutor Mark Musella announced the arrest of FRANK CIRINO (DOB: 11/03/1953; divorced; unemployed) of 255 Rt.17S, Room 9, Upper Saddle River, NJ on charges of distribution and possession of child sexual abuse material, and attempted endangering the welfare of a child. The arrest is the result of an investigation conducted by the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office under the direction of Chief Jason Love.

On Thursday, June 22, 2023, members of the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit executed a search warrant at the residence of **FRANK CIRINO** during the course of an Internet child pornography investigation. The investigation revealed that CIRINO used the Internet to view, download, possess, and distribute items depicting nude and/or sexually explicit prepubescent and pubescent children. In addition, CIRINO engaged in sexual conversations with other Internet users whom he believed to be underage.

As a result of the investigation, FRANK CIRINO was arrested on Thursday, June 22, 2023 in Paramus, NJ and charged with second-degree distribution of child pornography, N.J.S.A 2C:24-4b(5)(a)(i); third-degree possession of child pornography, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(b)(iii), and third-degree attempted endangering the welfare of a child, N.J.S.A. 2C:5-1a(1)/2C:24-4a(1). CIRINO was remanded to the Bergen County Jail pending a first appearance in Central Judicial Processing Court in Hackensack.

This investigation, led by the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit, is ongoing. Any parent or guardian who determines that their child received inappropriate communications from the following social media accounts may contact the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Tips Line at (201) 226-5532:

Jack Ridge Cassieni Prosecutor Musella states that the charges are merely an accusation, and that the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. Prosecutor Musella thanks the Upper Saddle River Police Department for their assistance, as well as the Bergen County Sheriff's Office and the Paramus and Lyndhurst Police Departments which participate in the Bergen County Cyber Crimes Task Force.

https://www.bcpo.net/upper-saddle-river-nj-man-charged-with-distribution-and-possession-of-child-sexual-abuse-material-and-attempted-endangering-the-welfare-of-a-child/

In court charged with possession of child pornography

March 1, 2023

According to police, this subject has been released on bail for another charge of possession of child pornography. But the investigation continued and officers discovered that this man had more material recorded on his computer.

For the second time in a week, the police arrest **Frank Laino**, 72, for possession of child pornography.

Miami Police Department spokesman Mike Vega said:

"There were sexual acts with minors. We are talking about children under 12 years old.

According to detectives, the initial investigation began on December 14, 2022.

It wasn't until February that Laino was visited by Miami uniformed agents at his home at 7835 Northeast with Second Avenue.

Evidence from the officer in charge of the case would not be hard to come by.

Miami police spokesman Mike Vega said

"We knocked on the door and one of our sergeants saw inside the apartment where there was an open computer a little girl having sex with an adult."

This Wednesday, Laino appeared in court for another similar case. Since then, after a search of his home and electronic devices, authorities have found 15 images that showed content of sexual activity involving children.

This is just one of the child pornography cases the police are investigating. The call to people who do this is very clear.

The defendant remains this time arrested at the TGK prison with a bond of 75,000 dollars and will have to appear before the district judge during another hearing.

https://globelivemedia.com/latest/in-court-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography/

Update: Man pleads guilty to child pornography charges

Frank Svitak, 67, of Plainfield, was charged with 111 counts of child pornography and one count of criminal use of a communication facility.

Author: Kayleigh Johnson

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Updated: 10:49 AM EDT July 1, 2023

PLAINFIELD, Pa. — Update, July 1: The Cumberland County District Attorney's Office announced **Frank Svitak** plead guilty to the charges of child pornography on Thursday.

Svitak's sentencing will be on Oct. 3.

Previous: A Plainfield man was arrested on Jan. 11 after police allegedly found him to be in possession of over 100 pictures and videos depicting child pornography.

Pennsylvania State Police and the Cumberland County Criminal Investigation Division began investigating Frank Svitak, 67, after receiving a cyber tip alleging that he was downloading explicit media of children.

According to the Cumberland County District Attorney's Office, Svitak is a retired fire chief from the Goshen Fire Department in New Jersey.

He was charged with 111 counts of child pornography and one count of criminal use of a communication facility. He is being held on \$25,000 bail and his preliminary hearing is scheduled for Jan. 19.

https://www.fox43.com/article/news/crime/plainfield-man-arrested-police-possession-of-childhood-pornography-frank-svitak/521-a3f07ea3-84a1-4676-8205-cdf2e4e32457

Chillicothe man indicted for child pornography.

BYTHE GUARDIAN March 14, 2023

CHILLICOTHE, Ohio — A Chillicothe man will be arraigned today in the Ross County Court of Common Pleas following an indictment on child pornography-related charges.

According to court records, **Franklin Doyle III**, was indicted on March 10, charged with two counts of pandering obscenity involving a minor, one count of pandering sexually oriented matter involving a minor, and seven counts of illegal use of a minor in nudity- material.

Investigators say in September of 2022, Doyle allegedly downloaded multiple files containing several images of children.

Detectives were alerted to the images by the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Doyle was taken into custody yesterday and remains incarcerated at the Ross County Jail.

https://sciotovalleyguardian.com/2023/03/14/chillicothe-man-indicted-for-child-pornography/

Gainesville man arrested on a dozen child pornography charges

His bond is set at \$480,000

By Aidan Bush March 14, 2023 | 7:56pm EDT

A Gainesville man was arrested Monday on suspicion of uploading over 30 child pornography videos.

Frederick Landt IV, 38, was charged with 12 counts of the promotion of obscene material, after allegedly uploading child pornography to the online-messaging platform Kik.

Kik tipped off the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Jan. 1, 2022, after users reported an account with four illegal videos on them, according to the arrest report.

The videos contained prepubescent girls performing sexual acts, and in some instances showed adult men raping them, according to the report.

The email, IP address and login associated with the account led law enforcement to find the phone number the email was registered with, which was allegedly under Landt IV's name, according to the report.

After additional tips came in from Kik Dec. 7, law enforcement found another 27 additional child pornography videos on the account. Throughout 2021 and 2022, Landt IV would allegedly send these videos to other accounts on Kik, according to the report.

Landt IV allegedly also took several selfies and nude photos on the account, with a coffee table routinely in the videos later being identified in his home.

GPD approached Landt IV's home where they met with his wife Dec. 8. She told officers that he was in Ocala for a job interview and took his electronics with him.

Officers later arrested Landt IV Monday at his home and took him to the Alachua County Jail. His bond is set at \$480,000.

Landt IV was believed to be involved in multiple youth athletic programs in Ocala, though law enforcement doesn't believe the photos or videos were children he knew, according to a press release. As of Tuesday evening, his next court hearing is not yet scheduled.

https://www.alligator.org/article/2023/03/gainesville-man-arrested-on-a-dozen-child-pornography-charges

2 suspects in separate cases arrested for child pornography in Placer County

Y NORAFIQIN HAIROMAN JULY 6, 2023 / 12:36 PM / CBS SACRAMENTO

PLACER COUNTY -- Suspects in two separate cases were arrested in a bid to crack down on child pornography, said authorities.

According to detectives with the Placer County Sheriff's Office, the two suspects were arrested during an Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) operation.

One of the suspects, 22-year-old **Frederick Li**, was arrested at his home in Roseville where Roseville police officers and Placer County probation officers served a search warrant and found hundreds of child pornography images.

The second suspect, 40-year-old Paul Hughes, was also served a search warrant in his home and employment in Colfax. Evidence of child pornography was found and it was also discovered that Hughes had been taking photos of children and secretly filming women in a restroom.

Hughes was arrested for possession and distribution of child pornography, and invasion of privacy.

https://www.cbsnews.com/sacramento/news/2-suspects-separate-cases-arrested-child-pornography-placer-county/

Yale man jailed on child porn & child exploitation charges

Posted on March 9, 2023 By Patti Weaver

(Stillwater, Okla.) — A 33-year-old Yale man with a history of substance abuse has been jailed on \$100,000 bail on charges of exploiting a 6-year-old for child pornography as well as possessing child pornography on his computer device and Google photo account.

Garrett Paul Derycke, who previously lived in Cushing, was arraigned Wednesday from the Payne County Jail on the two-count felony charge punishable by as much as a life prison term plus 20 years on conviction, court records show. Derycke was ordered to return to court on March 15 with an attorney.

Derycke was arrested at his Yale residence on Feb. 28 by Payne County Sheriff's Investigator Lew Kellison after the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received a cyber tip from Google concerning apparent child pornography that was uploaded to a Google Photos account, an affidavit alleged.

"The image metadata provided by Google suggest that the images were recently created by a cellphone and uploaded by the user, and the images were 'newly produced' or 'homemade content,"" the affidavit alleged.

"On 2/28/2023, Payne County Sheriff's Office Investigators and Task Force Officers of the Oklahoma Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force executed a search warrant at Garrett Paul Derycke's residence," where his cellphone was located, the affidavit alleged. During an interview, Derycke denied taking nude pictures of a child, the affidavit said.

According to Payne County court records, five months ago Derycke was placed on four and one-half years of probation for drunk driving on a revoked license in a vehicle with expired tags in Yale, plus 180 days in jail with credit for time served from his arrest in June of 2022, concurrent to his Drug Court termination cases.

Derycke had previously been placed on probation for felony marijuana possession in 2016 and misdemeanor drug possession in 2019, court records show.

https://www.1600kush.com/news/yale-man-jailed-on-child-porn-child-exploitation-charges

Carrollton Man Arrested for the Sexual Exploitation of Children

April 14, 2023 2:56 pm

Carrollton, GA (April 14, 2023) – On Thursday, April 13, 2023, **Gary Bennett**, 76, of Carrollton, was arrested and charged with ten counts of Sexual Exploitation of Children by the Carrollton Police Department's Cyber Crime Unit.

As members of the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, this investigation is part of the ongoing effort to identify those involved in the trade of child sexual abuse material. The ICAC Program, created by the U.S. Department of Justice, was developed in response to the increasing number of children and teenagers using the Internet, the proliferation of child sexual abuse material, and the heightened online activity by predators searching for unsupervised contact with underage victims.

Investigators began an investigation into Bennett's online activity after receiving CyberTipline Reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding the possible online possession of child sexual abuse material (commonly referred to as child pornography). This investigation led to a search of Bennett's devices where files of CSAM (Child Sexual Abuse Material)

were located. Based upon these findings, Bennett was arrested.

Carrollton Police Department is committed to protecting the community, especially its most vulnerable members. The possession and distribution of Child Sexual Abuse Material is a serious crime that harms children and will not be tolerated. We urge anyone with information regarding similar criminal activity to contact Carrollton Police Department's Cyber Crime Unit at 770-834-4451 or by going to NCMEC's tip line at CyberTipline.org

https://www.gradickcommunications.com/carrollton-man-arrested-for-the-sexual-exploitation-of-children/

Man facing child pornography charges in Sumter County, deputies say

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SUMTER COUNTY, Fla. —

A man was arrested on child pornography charges in Sumter County Friday.

According to deputies, they received information that the suspect, **Gary Slesinski**, was distributing child pornography.

Slesinski is accused of having an image of a child under 10 years old, deputies said.

A search warrant was obtained and served at Slesinski's home after a three-month-long investigation.

Slesinski was taken into custody and faces charges of two counts of transmitting child pornography.

The sheriff's office said there could be additional charges. Investigators are still reviewing Slesinski's electronic devices.

Anyone with information on this is asked to call the Sumter County Sheriff's Office at 352-793-2621 or Crimeline at 1-800-423-8477.

https://www.wesh.com/article/sumter-county-child-pornography-arrest/43413821

FIA Nabs Accused in Child Pornography with International Organization's Assistance

Thursday 05 Oct 2023 By Rizwan Shah•6 months ago

The Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) Cyber Crimes Circle Rawalpindi has successfully arrested **Ghulam Mustafa**, an individual involved in child pornography, following the guidance of an international organization.

Mustafa was apprehended in Rawalpindi for his alleged involvement in sharing child pornography material through social media.

During the arrest, authorities seized pornographic materials from Mustafa, as well as mobile phones and SIM cards that were reportedly used by him in the commission of the offense.

A case has been registered against the accused under the Prevention of Electronic Crimes Act (PECA) of Pakistan, which prohibits various forms of cybercrimes, including child pornography.

The FIA has been actively working to combat cybercrimes, particularly offenses related to child pornography, which are considered heinous and illegal acts.

The agency has been collaborating with international organizations and using advanced technology to identify and apprehend individuals involved in such criminal activities.

The FIA Cyber Crimes Circle Rawalpindi has urged the public to be vigilant and report any instances of child pornography or other cybercrimes to the authorities. The agency also emphasizes the importance of creating awareness about the dangers and legal consequences of engaging in such illicit activities.

Child pornography is a serious offense that involves the exploitation and abuse of minors, and it is punishable by law in many countries, including Pakistan.

The FIA's efforts to crack down on such crimes highlight the government's commitment to safeguarding the rights and well-being of children and ensuring that those involved in such criminal activities are brought to justice.

https://bnn.network/breaking-news/fia-nabs-accused-in-child-pornography-with-international-organizations-assistance/

Disturbing new details revealed as NJ school janitor accused of tainting food appears in court

Giovanni Impellizzeri was employed by the Elizabeth Moore School in the Upper Deerfield School District.

By6abc Digital Staff Thursday, November 9, 2023

UPPER DEERFIELD TWP., New Jersey (WPVI) -- A Cumberland County, New Jersey elementary school janitor appeared in court on Thursday morning for a detention hearing as new disturbing details were revealed in the case.

Giovanni Impellizzeri, 25, of Vineland, is accused of violating and contaminating school food and property in a number of vile ways. He is also charged with Distribution of Child Pornography and Possession of Child Pornography.

Authorities say Impellizzeri did not manufacture the child pornography, but it was in his possession and it was distributed to others.

A judge has ordered him to be held behind bars until his next court appearance.

Officials say Impellizzeri was employed by the Elizabeth Moore School in the Upper Deerfield School District.

Back on October 31, he was arrested after authorities alleged he contaminated food and utensils with both bleach and bodily fluid.

During his Thursday morning court appearance, the Cumberland County Assistant Prosecutor said Impellizzeri admitted in a chatroom on the Telegram app that he mixed feces into taco meat at the school.

Prosecutors said video from the suspect's phone showed him using a dish sponge from the teachers' lounge to wipe urinals and toilets. He is then seen putting the sponge back in the lounge.

Another video allegedly showed Impellizzeri rubbing hoagie rolls on his private areas before placing them back into a container.

Police say Impellizzeri also sprayed bleach into a container of cucumbers with the intent of harming children. In a chatroom, Impellizzeri wrote that he did these sort of things as "a sexual fetish." He also allegedly said he was doing "the devil's work," prosecutors said.

"It is clear that this defendant has no regard for the safety or well-being of the community at large," said Lindsey Seidel, an assistant prosecutor.

Prosecutors say Impellizzeri did all of this while employed by the school, where he had worked since September 2019.

"It is clear that the videos were recorded on at least three separate dates within the school. But, his admissions and the messages indicate that this has been going on for a much longer period of time," Seidel said.

Authorities believe he tainted the food between October 26 and 30.

The Cumberland County Health Department conducted testing and it was determined Wednesday that Impellizzeri did not pose any health risks. "Additional tests are pending, and it is possible, but unlikely, that recommendations may change within the next week," the health department said in a statement.

Prosecutors say Impellizzeri also allegedly urinated at a tanning salon in the community.

"He is a substantial risk to the community at large," said Judge Cristen P. D'Arrigo.

Impellizzeri's public defender Emily Bell said he has a long history of mental health issues and has been treated for a long period of time. Impellizzeri has no criminal past, she said.

Action News spoke with Upper Deerfield mother Tabitha Thomas, who is considering homeschooling her children after this and other incidents at the schools.

"I did keep them home this week," said Thomas. "I feel that I want answers and we're not getting them."

Action News reached out to the Upper Deerfield Superintendent on Thursday but hasn't heard back.

The Cumberland County Prosecutor says the district is cooperating with the investigation and is working with the health department to sanitize affected areas.

Impellizzeri could face 10 to 20 years behind bars.

 $https://6abc.com/giovanni-impellizzeri-nj-school-janitor-elizabeth-moore-new-jersey-bodily-fluids-infood/14033914/\#: \sim: text=Giovanni%20Impellizzeri%2C%2025%2C%20of%20Vineland, and %20Possession%20of%20Child%20Pornography$

4 men, teen charged over 200 counts of possessing child pornography: Sheriff

by Skyler Shepard Thu, October 20th 2022, 9:23 PM EDT

POLK COUNTY, Fla. (CBS12) — Four men and a teenager were arrested by detectives for possession of child pornography after investigators received tips on the suspects' computer activity.

The Polk County Sheriff's Office (PCSO) said the five men face over 200 counts of possessing child pornography, one man having 141 counts alone. The tips were provided by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) and the sheriff's office worked with the PCSO Vice Unit and Technical Service Unit in the investigation.

The five suspects arrested were:

Timothy Ahearn, 64, from Lakeland:

Detectives said Ahearn will be charged with 141 counts of possession of child pornography.

Ryan Murray, 32, from Lakeland:

The sheriff's office said Murray had been charged in 2012 with 40 counts of possession of child pornography. In 2014, he served seven years of a ten year sentence in Florida State Prison. Now, Murray faces possession of child pornography and promoting sexual performance by a child.

Eric Lewis, 38, from Davenport:

Detectives said Lewis will be charged with 37 counts of possession of child pornography, the possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia. In the past, Lewis was charged with 10 counts of possession of child pornography in 2015 by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), and served six months in jail and was put on probation for 53 months.

Judiel Gonzalez, 61, from Lakeland:

The sheriff's office said Gonzalez faces 15 counts of possession of child pornography, one count of possession of marijuana and one count of possession of drug paraphernalia.

Giovanny Hernandez, 16, from Haines City:

Detectives said Hernandez will be charged with 36 counts of possession of child pornography.

Sheriff Grady Judd provided a statement regarding the case.

When our detectives receive tips from NCMEC, they tenaciously go after the suspects, build a solid case, and get them locked up as quickly as possible. Two of these men have already served time in prison and jail for possession of child pornography—here they are again, actively participating in the abusive child pornography industry—fueling the current and future sexual abuse of young children. We will do everything we can to make sure these deviant suspects are held accountable for their crimes. My message is simple: if you download, trade, create, or share child pornography in Polk County, we will lock you up."

As part of the investigations, the sheriff's office said all electronic devices belonging to the suspects were seized by detectives, and will be subjected to further forensic examinations. Any additional child pornography recovered from the devices would result in more charges.

https://cbs12.com/news/local/4-men-and-a-teen-charged-over-200-counts-of-possessing-child-pornography-sheriff-polk-county-october-20-2022

HCSO arrests child pornographer in Spring Hill

ByPat Raia December 4, 2023

A Spring Hill man is facing multiple charges after tipsters led deputies from the Hernando County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) to investigate claims that he was allegedly engaged in the possession and sale of pornographic materials involving children.

HCSO Public Relations Manager Denise Moloney said that the investigation into the case began in February when tipsters told detectives that someone was distributing pornographic materials involving children from a residence in Spring Hill.

The subsequent investigation revealed that the activity was taking place at 4276 Gold Coast Ave. in Spring Hill.

Acting on a warrant, investigators searched that property on Dec. 1 and talked with resident **Greg Housman**, who told them that he was unaware of having child sexual abuse-related materials on any of his devices.

During a search of the residence's bedroom, detectives found two child-sized sex dolls that Houseman said he used for his own sexual gratification.

Detectives arrested Houseman, 51, and charged him with two counts of possession of child pornography and two counts of possessing a child-like sex doll.

Hernando County Sheriff Al Nienhuis said that the incident demonstrates the need to prevent child pornographers from victimizing youngsters.

"It is very concerning that these depraved individuals might eventually, if they have not already done so, hurt an innocent child," Nienhuis said. "Although disgusting, extremely infuriating, and hard to deal with, it is important to hold these warped criminals accountable."

Houseman is being held on bond at the Hernando County Detention Center.

Moloney said that the case remains under investigation and that additional charges may be forthcoming. Anyone with information about the case should

call Hernando County Crime Stoppers at 1-866-990-TIPS (8477) or text **TIPS from a cell phone. All Crime Stoppers tipsters remain anonymous. https://www.hernandosun.com/2023/12/04/hcso-arrests-child-pornographer-in-spring-hill/

Exeter man who police identify as youth baseball coach charged for possession of child sex abuse images

Updated: 11:58 PM EDT Jul 3, 2023

EXETER, N.H. —

An Exeter man who police identify as a youth baseball coach has been charged with possession of child sex abuse images.

Gregg Spaulding, of Exeter, is facing 26 counts of possession of child sex abuse images.

Investigators said they got a tip about potential child pornography, which prompted a search of Spaulding's devices and his home.

Court paperwork obtained by News 9 Investigates said detectives found hundreds of images of child sex abuse during that search.

According to court paperwork, Spaulding told investigators the images came up when he was doing other internet searches.

Court paperwork said Spaulding was a little league coach for Exeter Youth Baseball.

Exeter Jr. Baseball and Softball League president Patrick Flaherty said the incident has shocked the community.

"Our immediate concern solely centered around the safety of our community and participants, and we took several steps to limit the individual's ability to interact".

Spaulding waived his arraignment in court on Monday and is being held in preventative detention. Another court hearing has been scheduled for Thursday. https://www.wmur.com/article/exeter-man-youth-baseball-child-sex-abuse-images/44421826

Police arrest Hazle Twp. man on child pornography charges

November 30, 2023 By Hannah Simerson hsimerson@timesleader.com

HAZLE TWP. — A Hazle Twp. man is facing charges related to the possession of child pornography, police say.

Gregory Yorker, of 4011 Hollywood Blvd., was arraigned by MDJ James M. Dixon on Thursday after an investigation revealed the 52-year-old had been viewing images and videos depicting toddlers and prepubescent children performing lewd acts.

According to the affidavit, Luzerne County District Attorney's Office Detectives Richard Naporava and Charles Balogh received a Cybertip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (MCMEC) in regards to a file of apparent child sexual abuse material uploaded to a Google Drive account under Yorker's name.

Upon reviewing the Cybertip, investigators observed that Google provided an Internet Protocol (IP) address associated with the file upload, which was registered to PenTeleData.

On Nov. 16, an administrative subpoena to access the subscriber information was served on PenTeleData and the following day, on Nov. 17, investigators discovered that the IP address was assigned to Greg Yorker.

A search through the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation records matched the Hollywood Boulevard address associated with the subscriber information.

On Thursday, Detectives Naporava and Balogh, along with members of the Pennsylvania Internet Crimes Against Children's Task Force and Pennsylvania State Police — Northeast Computer Task Force (NECCTF), executed a search warrant at the residence, in which they encountered Yorker inside.

Yorker was interviewed inside the home, where he advised investigators that he was recently notified by Google that his account was closed but couldn't recall the language Google used in the notification.

Investigators asked if Yorker had ever seen child pornography on the internet and he stated that he had not within the past 20 years. Yorker also related that he was aware that child pornography existed but that he would never use the word "teen" when searching for pornography.

Inside the residence, investigators located several electronic devices, which Yorker related were his and that he was the only person to use them.

Members of the Pennsylvania State Police — Northeast Computer Crime Task Force performed forensic previews on the electronic devices and located several video files containing child sexual abuse material.

Yorker faces six felony counts of sexual abuse of children and two felony counts of criminal use of a communication facility.

His bail is set at \$150,000 and a preliminary hearing is scheduled for Dec. 14 at 10 a.m. inside the Luzerne County Courthouse.

https://www.timesleader.com/news/1638488/police-arrest-hazle-twp-man-on-child-pornography-charges#:~:text=Gregory%20Yorker%2C%20of%204011%20Hollywood,prepubescent%20children%20performing%20lewd%20acts

Weathersfield man facing child porn charges

by: Chelsea Simeon Posted: Jun 13, 2023

WEATHERSFIELD, Ohio (WKBN) — A Weathersfield man is facing charges following a tip made to the Ohio Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Charges of pandering sexually oriented matter involving a minor or impaired person were filed against **Harold Bennett**, 72, on Monday in Niles Municipal Court. A police report lists few details on the investigation but says the investigation began in April following the tip.

Bond was set at \$250,000, and Bennett was appointed a public defender during his arraignment Monday, according to court records.

His preliminary hearing is set for 9:15 a.m. June 21. https://www.wkbn.com/news/local-news/weathersfield-man-facing-child-porn-charges-2/

Man arrested after deputies find evidence of child porn during search warrant in League City home

Friday, March 17, 2023

LEAGUE CITY, Texas (KTRK) -- A 23-year-old man was arrested for child pornography in League City on Thursday, according to the Galveston County Sheriff's Office.

The video above is ABC13's 24/7 live stream channel.

Hector Padron Jr. faces a possession of child pornography charge after evidence was recovered during a search warrant in the 900 block of Texas Avenue.

Deputies said Padron Jr., four other adults, and two children were inside the home when they arrived to conduct the search.

The Galveston County District Attorney's Office was contacted and recommended the charge along with a \$100,000 bond.

All items were seized as evidence, and Padron Jr. was taken to the Galveston County Jail, officials said.

https://abc13.com/league-city-child-pornography-man-arrested-hector-padron-jr/12969031/

Ada County man arrested for alleged sexual exploitation of a child

By News Team November 22, 2023 11:51 AM Published November 22, 2023 11:57 AM

BOISE, Idaho (KIFI) – Attorney General Raúl Labrador has announced investigators with his Idaho Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Unit arrested a Boise City man on Tuesday for alleged sexual exploitation of a child.

80-year-old **Herschel Howard** was booked into the Ada County Jail. He has been charged with 10 counts of sexually exploitative material.

The Ada County Sheriff's Office Action Team assisted the ICAC Unit with the arrest.

"I am very proud of the work my ICAC investigators and attorneys do on behalf of the citizens of Idaho," Attorney General Labrador said. "Protecting Idaho children against criminal exploitation is a top priority for my office, and the dedication of the ICAC Unit shows in everything they do. There is no safe refuge for those who abuse children."

Anyone with information regarding the exploitation of children is encouraged to contact local police, the Attorney General's ICAC Unit at 208-947-8700, or the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children at 1-800-843-5678. https://localnews8.com/news/crime-tracker/2023/11/22/ada-county-man-arrested-for-alleged-sexual-exploitation-of-a-child/

Arrest – Ian Wood

On Thursday, December 29, 2022, **Ian Wood**, age 43, of Rolla, Missouri, was arrested in the 500 Block of West 2nd Street Rolla, Missouri, for Promoting Child Pornography 1st Degree, Possession of Child Pornography, and Invasion of Privacy. Wood was incarcerated at the Phelps County Jail pending warrants.

On Friday, December 30, 2022, two counts of Possession of Child Pornography (Class B Felony) were filed by the Phelps County Prosecuting Attorney's Office. A warrant was issued for Wood's arrest. His bond was set at \$250,000 cash or surety. Wood remains incarcerated at this time.

The investigation of Ian Wood was initiated as a result of a Cyber Tipline Report by an internet service provider, whereas suspected child pornography was uploaded and saved. During the course of the child pornography investigation the detective discovered evidence of invasion of privacy whereas adults were filmed without their knowledge or consent.

The evening of December 29, 2022, Wood was interviewed at Phelps County Sheriff's Department. Wood provided details which corroborated the evidence and identified victims.

Assisting the South-Central Missouri Computer Crimes Task Force were the Phelps County Sheriff's Department and Missouri State Technical Assistance Team.

The charges which Wood have been arrested are merely accusations and are not evidence of guilt. Evidence in support of the charges must be presented before the court of competent jurisdiction, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

https://phelpscountysheriff.com/arrest-ian-wood/

Tulare man arrested for child pornography after Snapchat account flagged

by FOX26 News Wed, September 13th 2023, 7:45 PM EDT

TULARE, Calif. (FOX26) — A man is now behind bars after his Snapchat account was flagged for child pornography in Tulare.

According to the Tulare Police Department, a cyber tip was given to officers last month after an account on both Google and Snapchat was flagged for child sexual abuse material.

Following an investigation, officers were able to link the account to **Isaac Herrera**, 39 of Tulare.

The Tulare Police Department says they were able to find conversations that involved child pornography during a search. They also found several devices which have been turned over as evidence and are pending review.

Herrera was arrested and booked into the Tulare County Jail where he faces child pornography-related charges.

https://kmph.com/news/local/tulare-man-arrested-for-child-pornography-after-snapchat-account-flagged-google-city-of-tulare-california-tulare-county-califoria-crime-isaac-hererra

Kanawha County Man Sentenced to 10 Years in Prison for Child Exploitation Crime

Monday, November 6, 2023

For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Southern District of West Virginia

CHARLESTON, W.Va. – **Isaiah Harley Daniels**, 24, of Sissonville, was ordered today to serve 10 years in prison, to be followed by 10 years of supervised release, and pay \$6,000 in restitution for attempted enticement of a minor. Daniels must also register as a sex offender.

According to court documents and statements made in court, in June 2021 Daniels began communicating online with a 13-year-old girl using the Kik instant messaging app. Daniels admitted to sending the minor female pornographic images while explaining sexual intercourse to her and asking her to "get naked." Daniels further admitted to initiating several video calls with the minor female in an attempt to watch her masturbate. He took screenshots of some of his conversations with the minor female that he saved on his cell phone.

Daniels also admitted to engaging in online conversation that were sexual in nature with other individuals he believed to be children. Daniels pretended to be 17 years old at times so he would appear younger. Several of the individuals that Daniels believed were children sent him images of themselves naked and masturbating.

Daniels admitted that he knowingly possessed 22 images and 297 videos on his cell phone and in his Kik account depicting known minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

United States Attorney Will Thompson made the announcement and commended the investigative work of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security-Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) and the West Virginia State Police.

Senior United States District Judge John T. Copenhaver, Jr. imposed the sentence today, confirming the prison and supervised release terms he imposed at an October 16, 2023 hearing. Assistant United States Attorneys Julie M. White and Erik S. Goes prosecuted the case.

This case was prosecuted as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative of the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorney's Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute those who sexually exploit children, and to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdwv/pr/kanawha-county-man-sentenced-10-years-prison-child-exploitation-crime#:~:text=Kanawha%20County%20Man%20Sentenced%20to%2010%20Years%20in%20Prison%20for%20Child%20Exploitation%20Crime,-

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Prince George's Man Accused of Coercing Children to Make Explicit Videos

Isaiah S. Poole, of Suitland, faces numerous charges related to child porn and soliciting minors

By <u>Gina Cook</u> • Published January 13, 2023 • Updated on January 13, 2023 at 8:59 pm

A Prince George's County man coerced children to participate in sexually explicit videos and threatened to distribute the recordings if they didn't produce more videos for him, police say.

Maryland State Police arrested 21-year-old Isaiah S. Poole, of Suitland, Thursday and charged him with numerous counts related to child porn possession, distribution, soliciting minors and causing minors to be subjects in pornographic performances by causing emotional distress.

A Maryland State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force investigation found that Poole coerced multiple minor victims into producing sexually explicit videos and then threatened to distribute the videos if the children didn't continue to participate, police said.

Members of the task force served a search and seizure warrant at Poole's home Thursday morning with the help of the FBI, police said. A preliminary forensic review of his electronic devices seized at the scene revealed multiple child pornography files. Poole was arrested at the scene.

Poole was transported to the Prince George's County Detention Center, where he is being held without bond.

Troopers are working to determine if there are any additional victims in this case. Police are asking anyone with information on this case to call the Maryland Center For Missing and Unidentified Persons 1-800-637-5437.

https://www.nbcwashington.com/news/local/prince-georges-man-accused-of-coercing-children-to-make-explicit-videos/3254781/

MARCH 22, 2023MCALLEN, TXCHILD EXPLOITATION

Texas college student pleads guilty to possession of child pornography after HSI investigation

MCALLEN, Texas — A South Texas college student pleaded guilty March 21 to possession of child sexual abuse material following a Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Rio Grande Valley Child Exploitation Task Force investigation.

Israel Flores Jr., 21, of Los Fresnos, appeared before a federal judge and admitted to possessing child sexual abuse material on a flash drive he obtained while he was a student at the University of Texas.

According to court documents, Flores downloaded the child sexual abuse material via Kik and stored it on a flash drive for easier distribution. He then gave the device to another person. Flores acknowledged being the original owner of the flash drive and that it had been in his possession for many years prior to giving it to someone else.

U.S. District Judge Marina Garcia Marmolejo accepted the plea and set sentencing for June 21. Flores faces up to 20 years in federal prison. He will remain in custody pending his sentencing hearing.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Eliza Carmen Rodriguez for the Southern District of Texas is prosecuting the case.

HSI encourages the public to report suspected child predators and any suspicious activity through its toll-free tip line at 866-347-2423, or by completing its online tip form. Both are staffed around the clock by investigators. From outside the United States and Canada, callers should dial 802-872-6199. Hearing impaired users may call TTY 802-872-6196.

HSI takes a victim-centered approach to child exploitation investigations by working to identify, rescue and stabilize victims. HSI works in partnership with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC), ICAC partners, and other federal, state, and local agencies to help solve cases and rescue sexually exploited children. Suspected child sexual exploitation or missing children may be reported to NCMEC's toll-free 24-hour hotline, 800-THE-LOST.

HSI is a founding member of the Virtual Global Taskforce, an international alliance of law enforcement agencies and private industry sector partners working together to prevent and deter online child sexual abuse.

One of HSI's top priorities is to protect the public from crimes of victimization, and HSI's child exploitation investigations program is a central component of this mission set. Further, HSI is recognized as a global leader in this investigative discipline, and is committed to utilizing its vast authorities, international footprint and strong government and nongovernment partnerships to identify and rescue child victims, identify, and apprehend offenders, prevent transnational child sexual abuse, and help make the internet a safer place for children.

HSI is the principal investigative arm of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), responsible for investigating transnational crime and threats, specifically those criminal organizations that exploit the global infrastructure through which international trade, travel and finance move. HSI's workforce of more than 8,700 employees consists of more than 6,000 special agents assigned to 237 cities throughout the United States, and 93 overseas locations in 56 countries. HSI's international presence represents DHS's largest investigative law enforcement presence abroad and one of the largest international footprints in U.S. law enforcement.

https://www.ice.gov/news/releases/texas-college-student-pleads-guilty-possession-child-pornography-after-hsi

ECSO arrests Pensacola man for allegedly uploading over 100 files of child sex abuse

Benjamin Johnson Pensacola News Journal April 28, 2023

Escambia County Sheriff's deputies arrested a 59-year-old Pensacola man after authorities discovered he uploaded 113 files containing <u>child sex abuse</u> material.

J Bant Sexson III was arrested and charged with one felony count of possessing 10 or more child porn images along with a misdemeanor charge for marijuana possession and one felony count of possessing a controlled substance without a prescription.

According to his arrest report, Sexson possessed "at least 20 image files depicting children as young as approximately 5 years of age, engaged in sexual acts and/or posed with the lewd exhibition of genitals."

Law enforcement received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children on Oct. 13, 2022, regarding the upload of 113 child sex abuse files to "a commonly used file storage account."

After deputies reviewed the files, they determined the report met the statutory definition of child sex abuse material.

Sexson's cell phone number was reportedly listed in the storage account where the files were found, leading to investigators discovering the IP address used for the uploads was the residence in which Sexson lived.

Once deputies executed a search warrant for Sexson's address, they reportedly discovered several child sex abuse material files.

"Sexson III provided extensive detail on how he obtains pornographic files of adults, and the forensic analysis indicated that Sexson III actually utilized these methods to obtain files of child sex abuse material and files of child erotica," his arrest report states.

Sexson remains in Escambia County Jail as of Friday afternoon on \$305,500 bond.

https://www.pnj.com/story/news/crime/2023/04/28/florida-man-j-sexson-allegedly-had-over-100-child-sex-abuse-materials/70164385007/#lnd6vg6wr5rgbk2scx

Child porn suspect arrested at same La Crosse residence where child was found dead days later

Steve Rundio Jul 3, 2023

A 20-year-old La Crosse man was arrested for child pornography six days before police responded to the same address where a young child had been found dead.

Jabari M. Riles was arrested June 8 and charged in La Crosse County Circuit Court with a single felony charge of possession of child pornography. His brother, 16-year-old Kamitri Riles, was arrested June 14 and charged with first-degree intentional homicide of a child whose name has not been released.

According to the criminal complaint filed against Jabari Riles, police pursued six cyber tips that traced the download of child pornography to 910 Winneshiek Road in La Crosse. The complaint says an email linked the activity to Jabari Riles, who allegedly downloaded videos of prepubescent children engaged in graphic sexual activity with adults.

Police contacted the La Crosse Housing Authority, which advised that the only names on the lease are a woman and her three children born in 2015, 2016 and 2018. It didn't include Jabari Riles or Kamitri Riles. The complaint says police determined that Jabari Riles "does have a history of residing at 910 Winneshiek Road."

Police obtained a search warrant and arrested Jabari Riles without incident. He declined to talk with police.

The complaint says Kamitri Riles and a 4-year-old child were inside the home at the time of the arrest. The complaint says the 4-year-old "appeared completely okay watching television."

The complaint says the woman named on the lease wasn't home when police arrested Jabari Riles. She arrived an hour later and said Jabari Riles is her brother. She told police Jabari Riles is homeless and that she allowed him to stay at the residence. An officer told the woman that she would be contacted soon about her three children being interviewed at Stepping Stones as a result of the investigation.

Jabari Riles was released June 12 from the La Crosse County Jail on a \$5,000 signature bond. It includes a no-contact provision with anyone younger than 18 and no access to the internet. The complaint against Kamitri Riles makes no

mention of Jabari Riles being present when police responded to the homicide call.

Jabari Riles' next court date is a July 7 calendar call.

https://lacrossetribune.com/news/local/crime-courts/child-porn-suspect-arrested-at-same-la-crosse-residence-where-child-was-found-dead-days/article_04457760-19c1-11ee-aec2-4ffa33d7ac1d.html

Southeast Missouri man arrested for promotion of child pornography

State News January 10, 2023

On Thursday, January 5, 2023, investigators with the Missouri State Highway Patrol executed a search warrant at the residence of **Jacob Ryan Sutton**, 22, on Westmount Drive in Farmington, Missouri.

As a result of their search, investigators seized child pornography and electronic devices. Sutton was arrested for the promotion of child pornography and transported to the St. Francois County Jail. The St. Francois County Prosecuting Attorney's Office formally charged Sutton with one count of promotion of child pornography and one count of possession of child pornography. Sutton is being held at the St. Francois County Jail, with a bond of \$50,000.

The Division of Drug and Crime Control encourages internet users to promptly report to the Patrol or local law enforcement anyone who attempts to engage in unwanted, inappropriate, or sexualized communications with children. The Digital Forensics Investigative Unit is partially funded by the Missouri Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

https://www.kttn.com/southeast-missouri-man-arrested-for-promotion-of-child-pornography/

Mandan man to serve six years for distribution of explicit images of children

By Erika Craven

Published: Mar. 13, 2023

MANDAN, N.D. (KFYR) - A U.S. District Judge sentenced a Mandan man to six years in prison for distributing exploitative and sexual images of children.

The FBI arrested **Jacob Demarais**, 37, in June 2021. They said Demarais engaged with and sent photos to an undercover agent in a known online child pornography group. Upon search, agents say they found more than 3,000 explicit images of children on Demarais' phones and laptop. The affidavit reports two of the phones seized had been issued to Demarais by his employer.

In addition to prison time, Thursday Judge Daniel Traynor ordered Demarais to pay more than \$41,000 in restitution and serve 15 years on supervised release. https://www.kfyrtv.com/2023/03/13/mandan-man-serve-six-years-distribution-explicit-images-children/

Sterlington man arrested by Morgan City police on sex crime charges involving minors

By Madison Remrey Published: May. 23, 2023

MORGAN CITY, La. (KNOE) - The Morgan City Police Department and the Louisiana Bureau of Investigations have arrested a Ouachita Parish man who was wanted on warrants regarding sex crimes involving juveniles.

MCPD received an online tip in November of 2022 from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children alerting them of a suspect who allegedly engaged in pornography involving juveniles in the Morgan City area earlier that same year.

During the investigation, **Jacque Trainer**, 25, of Sterlington was identified as the suspect, and warrants were obtained for his arrest.

MCPD and LBI arrested Trainer on May 22 in Ouachita Parish.

Trainer was transported to the Morgan City Police Department where he was booked on two counts of pornography involving juveniles under the age of 13. https://www.knoe.com/2023/05/23/sterlington-man-arrested-by-morgan-city-police-sex-crime-charges-involving-minors/

Shreveport man arrested on child pornography charges

Nov 10, 2023 Updated Nov 10, 2023

SHREVEPORT, La. -- A Shreveport man was arrested for distribution and possession of pornography involving juveniles, according to a Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office news release.

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Two men arrested for child pornography

By staff reports Jul 7, 2023

Two North Vernon men were arrested June 29 for alleged possession of child pornography, according to a news release from the Indiana State Police.

David Rector, 59, and **Jaden Page**, 20, were arrested after police said Rector shared the child pornography images with state police detectives, according to the release.

Page was identified through the inmate roster at Jennings County Jail, police said.

Rector is also charged with cultivating marijuana, police said, and is being held without bond at the Jennings County Jail. Rector's electronic device files were collected during the investigation, according to Sgt. Carey Huls of the Indiana State Police.

Possession of child pornography is a level 5 felony.

https://www.madisoncourier.com/north_vernon/two-men-arrested-for-child-pornography/article_9677df13-0d25-593f-8d7d-87b1a5d903e5.html

Manalapan Umpire Charged With Child Porn Possession: Police

Nicole Rosenthal, Patch Staff Updated Mon, May 8, 2023

MANALAPAN, NJ - A 22-year-old umpire from Manalapan was charged last month with child pornography possession, authorities said.

Jake Melman, 22, was arrested and charged with third degree possession of child pornography on April 20 following an investigation conducted by Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, Manalapan police said in a blotter statement.

Task force members executed a search warrant on April 20 at Melman's residence after the investigation found that Melman possessed, viewed and downloaded items depicting "child sexual abuse material," police said.

Melman was processed and remanded to Monmouth County Correctional Institution pending a court appearance, police said.

The Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office confirmed Monday that after his arrest, he was released on his own recognizance pending a court hearing. The hearing is tentatively scheduled to take place on Wednesday, May 31. https://patch.com/new-jersey/manalapan/manalapan-umpire-charged-child-porn-possession-police

Roommate of councilor arrested for child pornography

By BELLA PELLETIERE Valley Breeze Staff Writer bella@valleybreeze.com Jun 29, 2023

WOONSOCKET – Last Friday, June 23, City Councilor Scott McGee told *The Breeze* he was awakened by Rhode Island State Police who informed him that they had a search warrant for his roommate's room.

"I was, of course, very cooperative with law enforcement and permitted the State Police to conduct its search," he said.

According to an email from Sharon Knettell, who shares a driveway with McGee, the doorbell rang around 6 or 7 a.m. She told *The Breeze* there were at least eight police officers, a K9, and a battering ram.

McGee said police informed him that they had a warrant to search his roommate's room for suspected child pornography. The search warrant was very limited, and was only conducted in the roommate's room, he said.

"This was all internet related, from what I understand," he said. After the search, his roommate was arrested and ultimately removed from the home.

McGee said that as a member of the City Council, he was compelled to issue a statement, especially on a matter of this nature.

"There's obviously no place in society for child pornography," he said.

"It is an intolerable, unacceptable and offensive crime against children," he added.

He thanked the Rhode Island Police for conducting themselves in a professional manner when executing the search warrant, and said he respects the work they do every day.

A posted news release that has since been removed states that on June 23, the Computer Crimes Unit/Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force arrested **Jalen Latimer**, age 24, of 71 Winter Court for possession of child pornography. Latimer was processed at the Lincoln Barracks and transported to Sixth District Court for arraignment. Judge Isherwood set \$2,500 surety bail with the special bail conditions of restricted internet access and no unsupervised contact with minors.

Latimer is due for a pre-arraignment conference on Sept. 29, according to the state's court database.

https://www.valleybreeze.com/news/roommate-of-councilor-arrested-for-child-pornography/article_72134f46-144f-11ee-a819-6b0a72c4f3b6.html

FBI: Omaha man sentenced to ten years for child pornography receipt and distribution

by McKenzy Parsons (KPTM) Thu, January 12th 2023, 1:15 PM EST

OMAHA, Neb. (KPTM) — An Omaha man was sentenced to ten years in prison for child pornography receipt and distribution, according to a press release from the FBI.

After his ten-year sentence, **Jame Rodriguez-Ramirez**, 21, will have a five-year term of supervision, and he will be required to register as a sex offender.

There is no possibility of parole.

In 2017, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) looked into tips, and their investigation resulted in Rodriguez-Ramirez admitting to looking at images and videos of child porn.

He also admitted to sharing links to get links to child porn on Omegle.

In 2019, the FBI searched his residence and took his electronic devices which were examined.

The results of the search found eight images of nude or semi-nude prepubescent and pubescent girls ranging in age of ten to 15 years old.

The search also found 12 videos of girls with an age range of infant/toddler to 8 and 12 to 14 engaging in sexually explicit behavior.

Nebraska State Patrol conducted another search of his residence in October 2021, and they took more of his devices for examination.

This search resulted in videos and two images on his phone of kids under 16 years old engaging in sexual conduct.

https://fox42kptm.com/news/local/fbi-omaha-man-sentenced-to-ten-years-for-child-pornography-receipt-and-distribution

Currituck County man facing a dozen child porn charges

By WITN Web Team Published: Sep. 28, 2023 at 12:35 PM EDT

CURRITUCK COUNTY, N.C. (WITN) - An Eastern Carolina man is in jail under a hefty bond after his arrest on a dozen child porn charges.

Currituck County deputies yesterday raided a home in the 6100 block of Caratoke Highway as part of an internet crimes against children investigation.

James Bright II was then charged with 12 counts of second degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

The man was placed in the Currituck County jail on a \$500,000 secured bond. https://www.witn.com/2023/09/28/currituck-county-man-facing-dozen-child-porn-charges/

Former Pikeville teacher, coach arrested on child porn charges

RALPH DAVIS

Article Updated: April 28, 2023

CUMMING, Ga. — A former Pikeville High School teacher and volleyball coach has been arrested on child porn and sexual exploitation charges in Georgia.

James Andrew "Drew" Cecil, 38, of Cumming, Ga., was arrested April 21, on nine counts of possessing child pornography and one count of sexual exploitation of children. The charges came about after the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Cecil had most recently been a fourth-grade teacher at Poole's Mill Elementary School since 2021. Five years before that, he was a teacher and volleyball coach at North Forsyth High School.

He taught and coached volleyball at Pikeville High School until 2015. WSB-TV in Atlanta reported that court records in his case note he resigned from Pikeville for "having inappropriate text conversations" with a 14-year-old girl.

There are no records that he ever faced criminal charges in Kentucky.

Mountain Top News received this statement from Pikeville Independent Schools Supt. Stephen Trimble:

"Mr. Cecil left his employment with Pikeville Independent Schools in 2015, which was prior to my arrival. We have not been contacted by anyone conducting the reported investigation, and are not aware of it being related to any events that took place in this district. However, the safety and protection of every child is always the top priority of our team, and we will cooperate as much as possible with any involved law enforcement agency if contacted or needed." https://mountain-topmedia.com/former-pikeville-teacher-coach-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/

Suspended UH professor had over 260 images of child porn, prosecutors say

James "Andy" Chang downloaded some of the child pornography images and video while on the University of Houston campus, the HCDAO said.

Author: Michelle Homer

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HOUSTON — A suspended University of Houston professor had more than 260 images of child porn, prosecutors said during his hearing on Thursday.

James 'Andy' Chang, 35, was arrested on Tuesday, Oct. 10 and then charged with five counts of possession of child pornography.

During his second court appearance, prosecutors said Chang had images of naked children as young as 8 years old. He also had videos showing a child performing sex acts, according to prosecutors.

They said Chang downloaded some of the child pornography while on the UH campus.

Investigators subpoenaed information from internet service providers that allegedly connects Chang to accounts that downloaded child pornography.

"I think predators like that, they look for hunting grounds, they look for places where they can prey on innocent people," Assistant District Attorney Nicole DeFee said. "So that's the real concern here, is that people like him who really are predators, finding their way into positions of power, positions where people count on them, where children count on them, where they're around young people. So, he's extremely concerning."

Prosecutors said more charges could be added pending the investigation.

Chang's attorney asked for a lower bond but the judge kept it at \$100,000 for each charge for a total of \$500,000.

The University of Houston said in a statement Chang was suspended following his arrest.

Chang is listed as the assistant director of graduate studies in UH's mathematics department. He's also listed as a lecturer and teaches courses, including college algebra and intro to geometric reasoning.

On Wednesday, we spoke with some of his UH algebra students who said they heard about his arrest from some of his other students.

"They were in that class when he was arrested and they let us know in the group chat that he was arrested and we probably wouldn't have class," one student said.

If Chang posts bond, he is not allowed to have contact with anyone 17 or younger, and he can't have access to the internet.

https://www.khou.com/article/news/crime/suspended-uh-professor-james-chang-child-porn/285-8da99ee7-bc6e-4d02-a7c7-

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NR 23-19 Brevard Public School employee arrested for Possession of Child Pornography

May 24, 2023 - 11:52 am

The Brevard County Sheriff's Office has arrested 35-year-old James Cohen of Melbourne for possession of Child Pornography. Cohen was taken into custody after an arrest warrant was issued by Judge Ben Garagozlo charging Cohen with ten counts of Possession of Material Depicting the Sexual Performance of a Child. Cohen is currently in the Brevard County Jail Complex on a No Bond status.

The investigation began after the Sheriff's Office received a Cybertip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in reference to a person uploading child sexual abuse material. Information gathered from the Internet Service Provider identified a residence in the city of Melbourne that was under the control of Cohen and his father. An employment check revealed that Cohen was employed by Brevard Public Schools as a Instructional Assistant, currently assigned to Tropical Elementary in Merritt Island. It was further learned that Cohen had secondary employment at KinderCare, also located in Merritt Island.

Agents prepared and served a search warrant at Cohen's residence on Thursday, May 18, 2023, and at the same time conducted an interview with Cohen at his place of employment. Multiple electronic devices were seized from the residence during the search. Cohen admitted during his interview that the Internet identifiers listed in the Cybertip were his and further admitted to viewing images described in the Cybertip, however advised that he had deleted them. Upon being made aware of the investigation, the Brevard County School Board immediately suspended Cohen and the KinderCare removed him from their facility.

A forensic examination of just one of the devices revealed that it contained 170 videos and 10 images of child sexual abuse material. Multiple images depicted the sexual abuse of children and infants by adults to include penetration and bondage. Upon the discovery of this evidence, an arrest warrant for Cohen was obtained and he was taken into custody without incident. At this time, no evidence has been discovered that Cohen produced any images, however additional forensic examinations are being conducted on all of his seized devices.

Anyone who may have information in reference to this investigation or the identity of any potential victims, is asked to please call Agent Aimee Slater of the Brevard County Sheriff's Office, Criminal Investigative Services, at 321-633-8400.

For additional information concerning this News Release, please call PIO Tod Goodyear of the Brevard County Sheriff's Office at 321-501-7594. https://www.brevardsheriff.com/home/nr-23-19-brevard-public-school-employee-arrested-for-possession-of-child-

pornography/

Columbia County man charged for possession of child sexual abuse materials

Author: First Coast News Staff

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COLUMBIA COUNTY, Fla. — The Columbia County Sheriff's Office arrested a man Monday for possession of child sexual abuse materials.

James Foerster, 59, was arrested after detectives found images involving children being sexually abused in his possession.

Detectives say they began the investigation in late January after receiving a cyber-tip involving Foerster. Since that time, probable cause for a search warrant of Foerster's residence was developed.

During the search, detectives say they confirmed Foerster currently possessed child sexual abuse material on electronic devices belonging to him.

Foerster ultimately provided a confession to detectives, says CCSO.

"People who victimize children are among the worst in our society," Sheriff Mark Hunter said. "We will do everything possible to hold them accountable and ensure they are brought to justice."

Other items were seized during the search and will be forensically examined. Additional charges may be forthcoming pending those results.

Due to the ongoing nature of this investigation, no further information is being released at this time, deputies say.

Foerster was transported and booked into the Columbia County Detention Facility without incident.

https://www.firstcoastnews.com/article/news/crime/possession-of-child-sexual-abuse-materials/77-85d73c63-fa83-4c3f-922a-fdef75771947

Additional Information Released Regarding Arrest Of Hickory Man In Burke County Sexual Exploitation Case

October 30, 2023 Rob Eastwood – Reporter

NEWS

More details have been released in connection to the arrest of a Hickory man who is charged with multiple sexual exploitation counts in Burke County. As WHKY previously reported, 42-year-old James **Joseph Haskins** Of Airport Rhodhiss Road in Hickory was arrested last Wednesday (October 25) by Burke County Sheriff's Officers. He was charged with ten felony counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor. A felony drug charge has since been filed against Haskins.

According to information released last Friday (October 27), on October 5, 2023, investigators with the Burke County Sheriff's Office received information from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children and Internet Crimes Against Children. After further investigation into this report, a search warrant was executed on the residence of James Joseph Haskins on Airport Rhodhiss Road.

Following that investigation and search, Haskins was charged with the ten sexual exploitation counts. Haskins was arrested at 1 p.m. Wednesday at his residence and was brought to the Burke County Jail. He was initially jailed under a 48-hour hold or until the first judge became available. On Thursday (October 26), a charge of felony possession of schedule II controlled substance was added.

As of earlier today (October 30), Haskins was being held at the Burke County Jail under \$310,000 secured bond. His next District Court date on the sexual exploitation charges is scheduled for November 16. He's scheduled to appear in District Court November 17 on the drug charge.

https://whky.com/additional-information-released-regarding-arrest-of-hickory-man-in-burke-county-sexual-exploitation-

case/#:~:text=As%20WHKY%20previously%20reported%2C%2042,since%20been%20filed%20against%20Haskins.

Hembree arrested in child porn case

By TRAVIS MORSE Sentinel News Staff Jul 6, 2023 Updated Jul 7, 2023

MOUNT VERNON — James Hembree was arrested on Monday as part of a Jefferson County Sheriff's Office investigation into suspected child pornography activity.

Hembree, 36, of Mount Vernon, is now formally charged with five Class X felony counts of child porn and one Class 3 felony count of possession of methamphetamine, said Jefferson County State's Attorney Sean Featherstun.

According to a JCSO news release, sheriff's office detectives assigned to the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force on June 28 received a cybertip regarding suspected child porn activity in Jefferson County. Search warrants for records were obtained and served, which allegedly identified a suspect and suspect residence, located at 312 Harrison St. in Mount Vernon.

On Monday, July 3, sheriff's office detectives and members of the Mount Vernon Police Department/JCSO Joint Narcotics Unit served the search warrant at 312 Harrison St. The suspect and primary resident, Hembree, was taken into custody and evidence was allegedly seized, the release states.

"This case involved sheriff's office general criminal detectives working together with the Joint Narcotics Unit to uncover multiple criminal offenses," said Jefferson County Sheriff Jeff Bullard. "I'm very pleased with the work by the investigators in this case, but not surprised because they continue to deliver these kinds of arrests in our community, bringing dangerous predators to justice."

Hembree was taken to the Jefferson County Justice Center where he was incarcerated on felony possession of meth charges. His bond was to be set by a judge. Then on Wednesday morning, after additional investigation, the State's Attorney's Office further charged Hembree with five counts of dissemination of child porn, the release states.

The defendant had a first appearance via video court on Wednesday, July 5. At that time, he was advised of his charges and his bond was set at \$250,000. The Public Defender's Office was also assigned to represent Hembree, local court records state.

A preliminary hearing for this case has been set for 9 a.m. on July 26. A defense motion to reduce bail will also likely be heard at that time, court records state. https://www.morningsentinel.com/news/mt_vernon/hembree-arrested-in-child-porn-case/article_92ceffd3-da7a-5533-8182-7343242c0c2f.html

Boone man facing multiple charges related to sexual exploitation of a minor

Moss Brennan Updated Jul 18, 2023

BOONE — A 35-year-old Boone man is facing 13 charges related to sexual exploitation of a minor.

Boone Police Department arrested **James. M. Johnson**, 35, of Boone, and charged him with five counts of felony first-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, two counts of second-degree exploitation of a minor and three counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

According to court documents, the first offense allegedly occurred in October 2018, while the most recent offense occurred on June 12.

According to the court documents, Boone Police allege that Johnson engaged in sexual activity with a 14-year-old, which was allegedly filmed.

One of the first-degree charges stemmed from an alleged incident in May 2019 of Johnson allegedly engaging in sexual activity with the same minor. The other first-degree charges stem from similar incidents in June 2019.

According to the court documents, the two second-degree charges are related to two videos that Johnson allegedly "unlawfully, willfully and feloniously did duplicate." One video included a minor between 8 and 10 years of age, while another included one between 6 and 7 years of age. Both were allegedly engaged in sexual activity, according to the court documents.

According to the court documents, the three third-degree charges are related to three videos that Johnson allegedly "unlawfully, willfully and feloniously did possess." The videos depicted minors younger than 10 years old.

On July 11, as a result of further investigation, the Boone Police Department Johnson was charged with the following additional crimes:

Two counts of Statutory Sex Offense with a Person who is 15 years of age or younger.

One count of Indecent Liberties with a Child

Johnson was issued an Aug. 18 court date and his combined conditions of release were set as a secured bond amount of \$1,500,000, according to Boone PD.

The Boone Police Department is a member of the North Carolina Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, which is continually engaged in proactive and reactive investigations and prosecutions of persons involved in child abuse and exploitation of children involving the internet.

 $https://www.wataugademocrat.com/news/local/boone-man-facing-multiple-charges-related-to-sexual-exploitation-of-a-minor/article_cdb6b54a-19db-11ee-86e8-e39e20e01432.html\\$

School district custodian arrested on child porn charges, say NY State Police

by WRGB STAFF Wed, April 26th 2023

SCHOHARIE, NY (WRGB) — State Police say they have arrested a Middleburgh man, accused of promoting and possessing child pornography.

Investigators say **James W. Lethco**, 50, was arrested following a search warrant execution at his home in Middleburgh.

He was issued an appearance ticket returnable to the Middleburgh Town Court. State Police say he was recently employed by the Schoharie Central School District as a custodial worker for the Jr/Sr High School.

District officials say that Lethco was a longtime employee and was placed on leave by the district.

"The safety and security of our students are the district's number one priority. This is a responsibility we do not take lightly. We will be in contact regularly with the state police as this investigation unfolds," Superintendent David M. Blanchard said.

https://cbs6albany.com/news/local/school-district-custodian-arrested-on-child-porn-charges-say-ny-state-police-james-w-lethco-schoharie-central-school-district

Big Flats man faces 20 child porn charges

by: Carl Aldinger

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BIG FLATS, N.Y. (<u>WETM</u>) – A Big Flats man has been accused of allegedly owning and sharing multiple files of child pornography after an investigation almost a year long, according to police.

James McKaig, 63, was arrested by New York State Police on March 20, 2023 in connection to a tip from April 2022. According to police, the department got a cyber tip on April 1, 2022 that McKaig was allegedly sharing images.

In June 2022, police executed a search warrant. On March 20, 2023, McKaig was arrested and indicted by the Chemung County Grand Jury.

He was charged with 20 counts of Possession of a Sexual Performance by a Child. He is currently being held in the Chemung County Jail. https://www.mytwintiers.com/news-cat/local-news/big-flats-man-faces-20-child-porn-charges/

Steuben County Man Charged With Possession Of Child Pornography

Monday, March 27, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Western District of New York

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — U.S. Attorney Trini E. Ross announced today that **James Miller**, 63, of Corning, NY, was charged by criminal complaint with possession of child pornography involving prepubescent minors. The charge carries a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Charles M. Kruly, who is handling the case, stated that in May 2021, the New York State Police received a report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) that Miller's email account uploaded suspected images of child pornography. On May 26, 2021, the New York State Police executed a search warrant at Miller's Fox Ridge Road residence, and seized several digital devices. A forensic review of a seized cell phone recovered 84 images of child pornography. Another review of a computer that was seized recovered 22 images of child pornography.

Miller made an initial appearance before U.S. Magistrate Judge Marian W. Payson and was released on conditions.

The complaint is the result of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation Child Exploitation and Human Trafficking Task Force, under the direction of Special Agent-in-Charge Matthew Miraglia and the New York State Police, under the direction of Major Brian Ratajczak. Additional assistance was provided by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The fact that a defendant has been charged with a crime is merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. https://www.justice.gov/usao-wdny/pr/steuben-county-man-charged-possession-child-pornography

Former Salem High choral director arrested on child porn, indecent liberties charges

Mike Gangloff Oct 27, 2023

A former choral director at Salem High School was arrested this week at his current home in Northern Virginia after being accused of distributing child pornography and exposing himself to a child.

James William Nugent II, 27, now of Alexandria, was arrested Wednesday and is being held without bond in the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. Nugent faces one charge of taking indecent liberties with a minor under the age of 15, one charge of being an accessory to the distribution of child pornography, and 12 counts of distributing child porn.

His initial court dates in the cases are set for December.

Nugent was the choral director at Salem High School from July 1, 2020, until March 31 of this year, city spokesman Mike Stevens wrote in an email Friday.

A news item on the Fairfax County Police Department blog reads that the charges were prompted by an Oct. 21 report that a child was approached by a man in a Toyota Sienna, who "lured the victim to his van then exposed himself." The afternoon event was described as occurring in the Stratford Landing neighborhood of Fairfax County.

The child ran away and was not injured, the police blog said. After officers were contacted, someone in the neighborhood gave detectives "surveillance" of a van seen in the area. Information from license plate readers in the area identified the vehicle and Nugent as the driver, according to the blog.

On Wednesday, detectives searched Nugent's residence and found "numerous child sexual abuse material."

According to the police blog, Nugent worked as a resource teacher at Groveton Elementary School, though the child who is accused of exposing himself to was not connected to the school or his teaching job.

Police said they thought that in the two weeks before the incident, Nugent also exposed himself to at least four more children near Stratford Elementary School.

Police were trying to learn if there are additional victims and asked that anyone with information about the case contact investigators at (703) 246-7800, option 3. Other routes to send tips were (866) 411-8477), and online via fairfaxcrimesolvers.org.

https://roanoke.com/news/local/crime-courts/former-salem-high-choral-director-arrested-in-nova-on-child-porn-and-indecent-liberties-charges/article_2f267aac-74f6-11ee-8033-ffd9d35c469a.html

Orange Park Man Arrested For Receiving And Accessing Child Sex Abuse Materials

Tuesday, February 21, 2023 U.S. Attorney's Office, Middle District of Florida

Jacksonville, Florida – United States Attorney Roger B. Handberg announces that **James Allen Randall** (70, Orange Park) has been arrested and charged by federal criminal complaint with receiving child sex abuse materials and accessing with the intent to view child sex abuse materials. Randall faces a minimum mandatory sentence of 5 years, up to 30 years, in federal prison and a potential life term of supervised release. Randall has been detained pending a hearing scheduled for February 21, 2023.

According to the complaint, an investigation was initiated by law enforcement after they had received a CyberTip from an internet service provider indicating a user had uploaded child sex abuse materials. Further investigation determined the upload was tied to an IP address for Randall's residence.

On February 16, 2023, agents and task force officers from Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) executed a search warrant at Randall's residence and located a computer that was being used by Randall that had the search results for child sex abuse materials displayed on the screen. A preliminary review of the computer showed Randall had previously downloaded a file containing child sex abuse material.

A criminal complaint is only an allegation and every defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

This case was investigated by Homeland Security Investigations (HSI). It will be prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Ashley Washington.

It is another case brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who sexually exploit children, and to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-mdfl/pr/orange-park-man-arrested-receiving-and-accessing-child-sex-abuse-materials#:~:text=Jacksonville%2C%20Florida%20%E2%80%93%20United%20States%20Attorney,view%20child%20sex%20abuse%20materials

Birmingham man arrested on multiple counts of child pornography

by: Isaac Goffin

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COLUMBIANA, Ala. (<u>WIAT</u>) — Shelby County Sheriff's Office announced the arrest of a man on multiple counts of possessing child pornography.

James Wyatt Roberts, 19, of Birmingham, was arrested Wednesday on 10 counts of "possession of obscene matter containing visual depiction of a person under 17 years of age involved in obscene acts." He is being held in the Shelby County Jail on \$150,000 bond.

SCSO stated its criminal investigators received a tip from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force in January. The information from that tip led to an investigation involving Roberts.

The sheriff's office noted investigators have no information that suggests the images were produced in or around Shelby County.

The investigation is ongoing. If there is anyone with information on the case, they are asked to call the SCSO at 205-670-6000 or submit an anonymous tip to Crime Stoppers at 205-254-7777.

https://www.cbs42.com/news/crime/birmingham-man-arrested-on-multiple-counts-of-child-pornography/

Massive multi-agency sting nets 23 arrests, including two Anderson locals in child predator crackdown

by Adam Robinson Tue, July 11th 2023, 12:09 AM EDT

During a multi-agency child predator operation throughout Northern California, the Anderson Police Department (APD) says 23 people were arrested, including two local predators.

From June 18 to July 1, the APD said the Sacramento Valley Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) and 29 different federal and local law enforcement agencies in the Northstate conducted what they call a large "CyberTip operation" targeting child predators.

Ultimately, police say the operation ended in 23 arrests across the Northstate. Of those, police say they arrested two people: **James Schwede** and Scott Hemme, both of Anderson.

In March, police say their detectives served a search warrant at Schwede and Hemme's home in Anderson. The warrant was reportedly obtained after ICAC received a CyperTip related to someone uploading child porn. While searching the home, police say detectives seized cell phones and computers.

After examining the electronics, police say they obtained arrest warrants for Scwede and Hemme for charges related to child porn. Then, on Friday, June 30, police say their detectives found and arrested both Schwede and Hemme and brought them into custody.

Last week, the Shasta County Sheriff's Office said the CyberTip operation yielded three other arrests in the county for charges related to possessing and distributing child porn.

https://krcrtv.com/news/local/massive-multi-agency-sting-nets-23-arrests-including-two-anderson-locals-in-child-predator-crackdown

Tolono man charged with creating, possessing child pornography

By MARY SCHENK Apr 5, 2023

URBANA — A Tolono man who allegedly possessed and created child pornography has been charged with those offenses in Champaign County Circuit Court.

James E. Shipley, 41, of the 300 block of East Walnut Street, was arrested Tuesday morning following a monthlong investigation by Illinois State Police.

Assistant State's Attorney Joel Fletcher said Shipley is alleged to have created lewd pictures of prepubescent girls in March 2017, and that in June of last year, he possessed child pornography depicting an adult woman committing a sex act with a young girl.

Fletcher said police began investigating Shipley based on a tip from Dropbox to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that an account associated with him had uploaded child pornography on June 26, 2022.

A court-authorized search of his Dropbox account turned up 79 files depicting children between 2 and 14 years old engaged in various lewd acts, Fletcher said.

Further, police found that Shipley's email account accessed the Dropbox account around June 25 from an IP address associated with his home.

Police seized his computer Tuesday, and Fletcher said more videos of a pornographic nature were recovered.

Creation of child pornography is a Class X felony carrying a mandatory prison sentence of six to 30 years upon conviction. Mere possession is a Class 2 felony carrying penalties upon conviction ranging from probation to three to seven years in prison.

Judge Chad Beckett set Shipley's bond at \$500,000 when he issued the arrest warrant for him Monday. Shipley remained in the county jail Thursday and was told to be back in court May 24.

https://www.news-gazette.com/news/local/courts-police-fire/tolono-man-charged-with-creating-possessing-child-pornography/article_af823848-4532-5c19-a30b-57aa56f73c3e.html

Former Wyoming County Corrections Officer Indicted On Child Pornography Charges

Friday, April 21, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Western District of New York

BUFFALO, N.Y. - U.S. Attorney Trini E. Ross announced today that a federal grand jury has returned an indictment charging **James D. Sutton**, 37, of Depew, NY, with distribution and possession of child pornography. The charges carry a minimum penalty of five years in prison, and a maximum of 20 years.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Jonathan P. Cantil, who is handling the case, stated that according to the indictment, in October 2021, Sutton, a former Wyoming County Corrections Officer, distributed child pornography. In addition, on February 7, 2023, Sutton possessed images of child pornography involving a prepubescent minor on three different cellular telephones.

Sutton was arraigned this afternoon before U.S. Magistrate Judge Michael J. Roemer and was held pending a detention hearing on April 24. 2023.

The indictment is the result of an investigation by the New York State Police, under the direction of Major Eugene Staniszewski, the Federal Bureau of Investigation Child Exploitation Human Trafficking Task Force, under the direction of Special Agent-in-Charge Matthew Miraglia, and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The fact that a defendant has been charged with a crime is merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. https://www.justice.gov/usao-wdny/pr/former-wyoming-county-corrections-officer-indicted-child-pornography-charges

Oneida County Man Charged with Child Pornography Offenses

Friday, September 22, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of New York

SYRACUSE, NEW YORK – James H. Swanson, age 57, of Rome, New York, appeared in federal court last week on charges of receipt and transportation of child pornography, announced United States Attorney Carla B. Freedman and Matthew Scarpino, Special Agent in Charge of the Buffalo Field Office of Homeland Security Investigations (HSI). According to a federal complaint, for years Swanson used electronic devices to access and download child pornography from the Internet that he then uploaded to a cloud storage account under his control. The charges in the criminal complaint are merely accusations. Swanson is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

Following a hearing on September 21, United States Magistrate Judge Andrew T. Baxter released Swanson on conditions of supervision pending trial.

If convicted, Swanson faces a minimum term of 5 years in prison and a maximum term of 20 years, a maximum fine of \$250,000, and a term of post-imprisonment supervised release of at least 5 years and up to life. A defendant's sentence is imposed by a judge based on the particular statute the defendant is charged with violating, the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines, and other factors. Swanson would also be required to register as a sex offender.

Anyone with information related to this case can report it by calling the Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) tipline at 1-866-347-2423.

The case is being investigated by HSI, the New York State Police, and the Oneida County Sheriff's Office, and is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Adrian S. LaRochelle as part of Project Safe Childhood.

Launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice, Project Safe Childhood is led by United States Attorney's offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), and is designed to marshal federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims.

For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit https://www.justice.gov/psc.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-ndny/pr/oneida-county-man-charged-child-pornography-offenses

Cape May County Man Had 1,300 Child Porn Images On His Computers: Prosecutor

A 66-year-old man from Cape May County was charged with possessing child pornography, authorities said.

Jon Craig 02/23/2023 3:30 p.m.

James C. Warner, of Villas, was arrested on Thursday, Feb. 23 after a warranted search of his home, they said.

This investigation stemmed from a National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (N.C.M.E.C.) CyberTip that revealed an unidentified subject, possessed various items of Child Sexual Abuse Materials (CSAM) and stored these items on his personal laptop computers.

This search warrant was executed by members of the Cape May County Regional S.W.A.T. Team, the Cape May County Prosecutor's Office High-Tech Crimes Unit & Internet Crimes Against Children (I.C.A.C.) Task Force, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Investigations (HSI-Atlantic City) and the Lower Township Police Department.

At the time of the search, two laptop computers, a cellular telephone, two gaming consoles, five long guns and one handgun were seized from the residence, authorities said.

An initial review revealed Warner's laptop computers contained approximately 1,300 items of suspected child pornography, according to the Cape May County Prosecutor's Office.

https://dailyvoice.com/new-jersey/cape-may/news/south-jersey-man-had-1300-child-porn-images-on-his-computers-prosecutor/857433/

Las Vegas Resident Sentenced To 10 Years In Prison For Child Sex Trafficking

Monday, August 14, 2023

For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Nevada

LAS VEGAS – A Las Vegas man was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Richard F. Boulware II to 10 years in prison followed by 20 years of supervised release for attempted child sex trafficking and possession of child sexual abuse material.

James Allen Wynhoff (41) pleaded guilty in September 2022 to attempted sex trafficking and possession of child pornography. In addition to the prison term, under the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act, Wynhoff is required to register as a sex offender.

According to court documents, on March 31, 2022, Wynhoff contacted a person he believed to be a 15-year-old child on the messaging application Kik. Through Kik messages, he solicited and agreed to pay \$100 to the child to have sex with him. Furthermore, Wynhoff admitted to possessing 11 videos of child sexual abuse material depicting children as young as toddlers. He has a federal felony conviction in Utah for Interstate Travel with Intent to Engage in Illicit Sexual Contact.

United States Attorney Jason M. Frierson for the District of Nevada and Special Agent in Charge Spencer L. Evans for the FBI made the announcement.

The FBI and Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department investigated the case. Assistant United States Attorney Supriya Prasad prosecuted the case.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.

If you suspect that you have information about possible child sexual exploitation, you are encouraged to contact the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children's CyberTipline at 1-800-THE-LOST (1-800-843-5678).

https://www.justice.gov/usao-nv/pr/las-vegas-resident-sentenced-10-years-prison-child-sex-trafficking#:~:text=James%20Allen%20Wynhoff%20(41)%20pleaded,register%20as%20a%20sex%20offender

Stratford man gets 8 years for child porn

By Daniel TepferUpdated Feb 1, 2019 4:15 p.m.

BRIDGEPORT — A Stratford man caught downloading child pornography just one month after he finished a prison term for doing the same thing, was sentenced Friday to eight years in prison.

Jaime Diaz, 32, of Franklin Avenue, Stratford, pleaded guilty to two counts of first-degree possession of child pornography and was sentenced by Superior Court Judge Robert Devlin to 20 years, suspended after he serves eight years and followed by 15 years of probation.

The judge also ordered Diaz to register as a sex offender.

"What is especially troubling is that the defendant was on parole in New York for the same type of offense," the judge added.

Senior Assistant State's Attorney David Applegate told the judge that police received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, which monitors the internet for child pornography, that child porn had been downloaded by someone in Stratford.

Applegate said police later determined that the download, a 15-minute video containing numerous clips of adults having sexual relations with children, had gone to a computer in Diaz's home.

Police said Diaz initially denied downloading the porn, but after police found his computer, they said, he began crying and admitted to viewing child pornography on a daily basis.

https://www.thehour.com/local/article/Stratford-man-gets-8-years-for-child-porn-13581497.php

Lowcountry Men Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Thomas C. Gotshall, 68, of Johns Island, S.C., and Jamie Talmadage Rivera, 18, of St. George, S.C., on four total charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Charleston County Sheriff's Office and Dorchester County Sheriff's Office made the arrests in these unrelated cases. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office and Homeland Security Investigations, both also members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with these investigations.

Investigators received CyberTipline reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to both Gotshall and Rivera. Investigators state Rivera possessed child sexual abuse material and Gotshall distributed files of child sexual abuse material.

Rivera was arrested on November 3, 2023. He is charged with one count of sexual exploitation of a minor, third degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment.

Gotshall was arrested on November 9, 2023. He is charged with three counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

Gotshall was out on bond from a prior arrest on related charges in 2023.

Both of these cases will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/lowcountry-men-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges-5/#:~:text=Investigators%20state%20Rivera%20possessed,up%20to%2010%20years%20imprisonment.

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^{*} Child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, is a more accurate reflection of the material involved in these heinous and abusive crimes. "Pornography" can imply the child was a consenting participant. Globally, the term child pornography is being replaced by CSAM for this reason.

Fulton Man Arrested for Possessing Child Pornography

On December 21, 2023, State Police in North Syracuse arrested **Jamiejo L. Kratz**, age 40 from Fulton, NY for (2) counts of Possessing Sexual Performance by a Child, a class "E" felony.

Kratz is charged with being in possession of child sex abuse material on his personal cell phone. The images were discovered during an investigation being conducted by the Troop D Computer Crime Unit, SP Lysander Bureau of Criminal Investigation, and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Kratz was issued an appearance ticket and is scheduled to appear in Salina Town Court on January 2, 2024, at 5 p.m.

https://troopers.ny.gov/news/fulton-man-arrested-possessing-child-pornography#:~:text=On%20December%2021%2C%202023%2C%20State,on%20his%20personal%20cell%20phone

Investigation leads to child porn charge against Buffalo man

by: Evan Anstey

Posted: Jan 17, 2023 / 09:54 AM EST Updated: Jan 17, 2023 / 09:54 AM EST

BUFFALO, N.Y. (WIVB) — A Buffalo man has been accused of possessing child porn.

On Monday, 30-year-old **Jamison Riling** was charged with possessing a sexual performance by a child. His arrest came as the result of an Internet Crimes Against Children investigation in the city.

"The mission of the ICAC Task Force is to identify individuals online who are attempting to lure children to meet for sex or those disseminating child sexual abuse material," New York State police wrote.

After his arrest, Riling was released on his own recognizance. He's scheduled to return to court at a later date.

https://www.wivb.com/news/local-news/buffalo/investigation-leads-to-child-porn-charge-against-buffalo-man/

Gainesville man arrested on a dozen child pornography charges

Distributed videos through Snapchat

By Gabriel Velasquez Neira May 19, 2023 | 3:21pm EDT

A Gainesville man was taken into custody May 17 on charges of 11 counts of possession of child pornography and one count of distribution of child pornography.

Jantzen Weaver, 22, was arrested on suspicion of possessing videos of adults performing sex acts on children, including infants and prepubescent kids.

Gainesville Police Department received reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children Jan. 18 about a Snapchat account uploading and distributing child pornography.

Further investigation by detectives found emails tied to the account were registered with phone numbers associated with Weaver, according to a GPD arrest report.

Snapchat provided conversations that Weaver had with another user where he shared a child sexual abuse video. According to the arrest report, Weaver purportedly deleted the footage after sending it.

Officers contacted Weaver at his home May 17. After GPD read him his Miranda rights, Weaver confirmed the account belonged to him in an interview with the police.

Weaver found the video through Twitter and estimated he has viewed between 10 to 20 child sexual abuse videos since January 2023, he said. He also told police he was not a real threat to society because he dislikes being around children as they're "too loud."

In a preliminary search, officers found 44 videos of child sexual abuse material across his electronic devices.

Weaver was arrested at 11 a.m. and taken to Alachua County Jail. His next court date has yet to be scheduled as of May 18.

https://www.alligator.org/article/2023/05/gainesville-man-arrested-on-a-dozen-child-pornography-charges

Central NY man shared photos of stranger's kids and offered the children for sex, deputies say

Updated: Apr. 07, 2023, 5:11 p.m.

By Anne Hayes

Hastings, N.Y. — An Oswego County man has been accused of stealing a stranger's identity and photos of the person's children, offering the kids up for sex in exchange for money, deputies said.

Jared M. August, 30, of Hastings, was arrested and charged Thursday with eight counts of promoting a sexual performance of a child and one count of identity theft, according to a news release Friday from the Oswego County Sheriff's Office.

August stole the photos from the person's social media and posted them online, offering them for sexual encounters, deputies said.

After receiving multiple tips in 2022, the sheriff's office and State Police began an investigation into multiple online accounts, deputies said.

The investigation -- which included tracking IP addresses and other digital evidence -- led to August's home, deputies said. After reviewing devices found in the home, investigators determined that August was using the accounts to send and receive child pornography, they said.

Deputies also found that August stole information from the stranger's social media accounts to set up at least one profile using that person's identity, they said.

The stranger whose identity was stolen lived in the same area as August and had no knowledge their identity or photos of their children was being used, deputies said.

Deputies found there was no evidence that August had any contact with the children in the photos, they said.

Investigators did speak to the victim of the identity theft but were able to rule that person out as a suspect due to the digital trail tied to the online accounts, said Lt. Andrew Bucher, an investigator for the Oswego County Sheriff's Office.

August is currently being held in the Oswego County jail on \$15,000 cash and \$35,000 bond bail.

Deputies are still investigating the incident and working to determine if there are additional victims in this case.

Deputies ask that anyone with information about the case contact the sheriff's office at (315) 349-3411.

https://www.syracuse.com/crime/2023/04/central-ny-man-shared-photos-of-strangers-kids-and-offered-the-children-for-sex-deputies-say.html

Wilkes-Barre man charged with 45 counts of possessing child pornography

by Rayna McGlynn Wed, March 1st 2023, 5:56 PM EST

WILKES-BARRE, LUZERNE CO, (WOLF) — A Wilkes-Barre man is behind bars in Luzerne County after police allegedly found him in possession of child sex abuse materials.

According to our newsgathering partners at the Times Leader, Detectives with Luzerne County and West Hazleton police executed a search warrant Wednesday arresting 33-year-old **Jared Pieck**.

Pieck admitted to downloading the images for "self-gratification," police say.

Investigators say they received two tips linked to emails registered to Pieck.

Court records indicate that the tips involved uploaded and downloaded images of semi-nude girls.

Detectives say Pieck admitted to them that he had been downloading child sex abuse materials "on and off since puberty."

A police dog trained in finding electronic devices sniffed out a cellphone and laptop that police say had a total of 41 images of child sex abuse materials.

He was taken into custody on counts of possessing child pornography and three counts of criminal use of a communication facility.

Pieck was jailed without bail at the county correctional facility. https://fox56.com/news/local/wilkes-barre-man-charged-with-45-counts-of-possessing-child-pornography

Marlborough man faces child porn charges after police made this discovery

Norman Miller MetroWest Daily News Published Feb.27, 2023

MARLBOROUGH — A local man is facing child pornography charges after police say they found "dozens" of photos of underage children in various states of nudity and sexual conduct on his computer.

Police arrested **Jared F. Idels**, 35, at 9:30 a.m. Thursday at his 13 Tucker Ave., home, police Lt. Matthew Hassapes said Friday.

The investigation began Feb. 1, when the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children provided Marlborough police with information that a city resident may be downloading child pornography from the internet.

"They'll provide us with certain digital information that points us to a direction," said Hassapes. "It's very raw (the information) when it comes to us. It's up to us to further investigate and get search warrants for IP addresses and Gmail accounts."

The investigation led to Idels, the lieutenant said.

Investigators obtained a search warrant and served it on Thursday. During a preliminary search of Idels' computer and other electronic devices, police found numerous images containing obviously underage children. Police seized Idels' computer and phone.

"At the end of the day, we don't know how many images he had," said Hassapes. "Right now, the searching of the digital devices is taking place. Depending on what the forensic analysis finds, it could lead to more."

Idels was released without bail after his arraignment Thursday in Marlborough District Court. He was ordered to not use the internet, not to use social media and have no unsupervised contact with children.

Idel's court-appointed lawyer, Michael Gerry, could not be reached for comment.

Idels is due back in court on April 11 for a pretrial conference.

https://www.metrowestdailynews.com/story/news/crime/2023/02/27/child-porn-charge-marlborough-ma-man-police-tip/69940108007/

Sextonville Man Arrested for Child Pornography

MARCH 17, 2023, BY CHIEF DEPUTY

WHEN: 03/15/2023

TIME of Incident: 8:30 AM

WHO Involved: Jarrett P. Fillyaw, 38, of Sextonville, WI

WHERE Incident Happened: County Highway B, Village of Sextonville

What happened: Sheriff Clay Porter reports that on 03/15/2023, the Richland County Special Response Team executed a search warrant at an address on County Hwy B in the Village of Sextonville. The Richland County Sheriff's Office received a cybertip from the Wisconsin Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force regarding sexually explicit images of children that were downloaded at the above address. During the search warrant, Jarrett P. Fillyaw was detained and numerous electronic devices were seized. Digital Forensic Analysts with DCI were on scene and previewed the devices, locating numerous videos and images that are suspected to be illegal. Fillyaw was arrested and taken to jail on 59 counts of Possession of Child Pornography and 1 count of Felony Bail Jumping. All charges will be forwarded to the Richland County District Attorney's Office for prosecution.

Sheriff Clay Porter would like to credit the success of this initial investigation to multiple agencies working together to combat the exploitation of children.

ARREST or CHARGES: Possession of Child Pornography- 59 Counts, Felony Bail Jumping- 1 Count

Other Agencies Involved: Richland Center Police Department, Richland County Special Response Team, Lone Rock EMS, and the Wisconsin Division of Criminal Investigation- Digital Forensic Unit

Princeton Man Charged With Sharing Child Pornography

by WPKY Online December 14, 2023

A Princeton man has been charged with distributing child pornography online.

According to Kentucky State Police, 42-year old **Jarrett Wesley Collins**, of Princeton, was arrested as the result of an undercover Internet Crimes Against Children investigation. Police said the investigation began after the Electronic Crime Branch discovered Collins sharing images of child sexual exploitation online.

The investigation resulted in a search warrant at a Princeton residence on Wednesday where detectives seized equipment allegedly used to facilitate the crime. The equipment was taken to the state police forensic laboratory for examination.

Collins was charged with ten counts of distribution of matter portraying a minor in a sexual performance under 12-years old and ten counts of possession of matter portraying a minor in a sexual performance under 12-years old. The charges are Class-C felonies punishable by five to ten years in prison if convicted.

Collins was lodged in the Caldwell County Jail.

The investigation is ongoing.

https://www.wpkyonline.com/2023/12/14/princeton-man-charged-with-sharing-child-pornography/news-edge/

Nicholas County deputy accused in child pornography investigation pleads not guilty

by SHANNON STOWERS Fri, September 22nd 2023, 11:02 AM EDT

NICHOLAS COUNTY, W.Va. (WCHS) — A Nicholas County sheriff's deputy charged in a federal child pornography investigation has pleaded not guilty.

Jarrod Steven Bennett, 38, of Mt. Nebo entered the plea Thursday in U.S. District Court, according to court records.

Bennett was indicted on Sept. 7 of 11 counts of child pornography-related offenses and attempting to destroy or conceal evidence.

The indictment outlines several allegations that took place on various dates near Mt. Nebo that accuse Bennett of child pornography related offenses.

On June 2, Bennett is also accused of trying to "alter, destroy, conceal, and cover-up" information on his iPhone that federal investigators believe was to obstruct the investigation.

Several days later, on June 6, investigators said he did "corruptly alter, destroy, and conceal" electronic information contained on his Nicholas County Sheriff's Department laptop and attempted to do so "with the intent to impair its integrity and availability for use in an official proceeding" before a federal grand jury.

He is also accused of trying to alter or destroy information on his police laptop on June 13.

Nicholas County Sheriff William Nunley II said Bennett was suspended from his position on June 5 when his office first became aware of the investigation. Nunley said Bennett's department issued items were collected as well following the suspension.

A trial for Bennett has been scheduled for Oct. 30.

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Lower Township man charged with child pornography, drugs

Lynda Cohen|June 5, 2023

A Lower Township man is jailed on charges of possession and distribution of child pornography.

Jason Brown, 42, of the township's Villas section, had an account with more than 1,000 videos/images of child sexual abuse, Cape May County Prosecutor Jeffrey Sutherland and Lower Township Police Chief Kevin Lewis said.

A National Center for Missing and Exploited Children CyberTip sparked the investigation into a suspect downloading, possessing and distributing these videos and images.

A warrant was executed at his Cloverdale Avenue home, where two computers, a camera, various prescription legend drugs and a cell phone were seized, according to the report.

Brown was arrested Friday.

He is charged with second-degree distribution of child pornography and possession of child pornography, along with third-degree possession of a controlled dangerous substance.

Brown is in the Cape May County jail pending a detention hearing. https://breakingac.com/2023/06/lower-township-man-charged-with-child-pornography-drugs/

Bell man arrested for possession of child pornography

by Ryann Dickerson Fri, February 3rd 2023, 2:30 PM EST

According to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) they arrested **Jason Fowler**,39, from Gilchrist County for possession of child sexual abuse material.

FDLE says agents received a cyber tip on Jan. 21 that a computer had searches for child sexual abuse material. Through the searches, agents were able to figure out the suspect's residence. They obtained a search warrant for Fowler's home and executed it on Feb. 2.

FDLE agents discovered multiple images and videos of children including infants and toddlers being sexually abused.

Fowler was arrested and charged with 12 counts of child sexual abuse material. FDLE says that due to the number of images found, each count is upgraded to a second-degree felony.

He was booked in to Gilchrist County Jail. https://mycbs4.com/news/local/bell-man-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography

Kershaw County man arrested on child sexual abuse material charges

By Marcus Flowers

Published: May. 18, 2023

KERSHAW COUNTY, S.C. (WIS) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced an Elgin man has been arrested in connection to the sexual exploitation of a minor.

Officials say investigators with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (ICAC) received a CyberTipline leading them to 46-year-old **Jason Gouty**.

According to a press release, the ICAC and the Richland County Sheriff's Department made the arrest. Investigators say Gouty distributed files of child sexual abuse material.

Authorities said Gouty was arrested on Thursday, May 11, 2023. He is charged with one count of sexual exploitation of a minor, which is a felony offense that is punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

https://www.wistv.com/2023/05/18/kershaw-county-man-arrested-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges/

5 Mesa County men arrested for having child pornography

by: Nick Koziara

Posted: Sep 28, 2023 / 06:37 PM MDT Updated: Sep 28, 2023 / 06:37 PM MD

MESA COUNTY, Colo. (<u>KREX</u>) — Law enforcement arrested five men in Mesa County for being in possession of child pornography.

The Mesa County Sheriff's Office, Homeland Security Investigation and the Colorado Bureau of Investigations conducted a several month-long investigation that ended in the arrest of five Grand Valley residents for having child pornography on their electronic devices.

62-year-old Michael Forstner of Grand Junction was arrested on 12 counts of sexual exploitation of a child.

42-year-old Michael Jason of Fruita was arrested on six sounds of sexual exploitation of a child, three of those being children under the age of 12.

44-year-old Dustin McClain of Grand Junction was arrested on seven counts of sexual exploitation of a child, four of those being children under the age of 12.

21-year-old **Jason McNally** of Clifton was arrested on four counts of sexual exploitation of a child, four of those being children under the age of 12.

18-year-old Syril Palmer of Clifton was arrested on two counts of sexual exploitation of a child.

https://www.westernslopenow.com/news/5-mesa-county-men-arrested-for-having-child-pornography/#:~:text=62%2Dyear%2Dold%20Michael%20Forstner,under%20the%20age%20of%2012

Foley man arrested on child pornography charges

By Robert Ristaneo Published: Jul. 17, 2023

FOLEY, Ala. (WALA) - Foley PD said a man was arrested on Friday, July 14 for allegedly possessing child pornography after an investigation was conducted by the Cyber Crimes Unit.

The investigation began in June when police said they received information that **Jason Lee Naeb**, 47, of Foley was likely in possession of child pornography.

Authorities said multiple search warrants for electronic devices were executed and they revealed images of persons under the age of 17 engaged in sex acts.

Naeb had his bond set at \$15,000 and conditions of his bond include, house arrest, no internet access or contact with any minors, according to court records. https://www.fox10tv.com/2023/07/17/foley-man-arrested-child-pornography-charges/

Facebook Tip Leads to Arrest of Margate Man on Child Pornography Charges

By Ryan Yousefi on June 14, 2023

A man faces 14 separate charges of trafficking in child pornography and sending nude photos to a minor after a tip from Facebook revealed his online criminal activity.

In March of 2023, records show the South Florida Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) received a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) about a Margate resident allegedly sharing child pornography online. As a result of the information, a case was assigned to the Margate Police ICAC unit.

According to the arrest report, Facebook initially generated the tip in February after a user of its Messenger app violated the platform's terms of use by uploading images of child pornography.

In response to the violations, Facebook reported the user, later identified as **Jason Arthur Palermo**, 41, of Margate, to law enforcement and provided investigators with evidence that Palmero had repeatedly uploaded videos depicting child pornography via the Messenger app.

As the Margate ICAC unit investigated the claim further, it was revealed the residence assigned to that specific IP address was located near the 5300 block of Northwest 31st Street, which would later lead to identifying Palemero as the alleged suspect.

With digital evidence of a potentially serious crime in hand, investigators were granted a search warrant for the contents of Palermo's Facebook account, and upon a deeper review, discovered additional files that were sent during a chat in Facebook Messenger with a Facebook user who identified themself as a 12-year-old male.

The messages were reportedly sexual amongst both users, and the child pornography used as evidence in the case, along with two additional video files, was sent by Palmero to the underaged user and, subsequently, the victim. On June 9, members of the Margate Police Department and the South Florida ICAC executed a search warrant at Palermo's home. According to the arrest report, Palermo admitted to officers that he had sent the files.

In addition to his admission of trafficking in child pornography, Palmero also admitted to sending photographs of his penis to the underage victim.

Palmero alleged to officers that when he chatted with the victim, he believed the person he was talking to was 13.

During the search of Palmero's devices, records show he was found to be in possession of at least ten images and files that would be considered child pornography, including videos depicting male children between the ages of 8-14 engaged in sexual acts with other children and adults.

Palermo was arrested and transported to the Broward County Main Jail. He was later released after posting a \$90,000 bond.

https://margatetalk.com/facebook-tip-man-arrested-child-pornography-43964

New Rochelle Man Charged with Multiple Felony Charges for Production and Distribution of Child Pornography

Written By: Robert Cox

EDITOR'S NOTE: Just under a day after this article was published — and after having sent several notification emails immediately after publication seeking comment — we have received an unprecedented request (for us) from law enforcement officials asking that we edit this article by removing details of the alleged crimes contained in the felony complaint. While we are under no obligation to do so, we have chosen to replace certain details with a more generalized description. We do not take such a decision lightly and certainly do not proceed for the benefit of government officials. We do so in the interest of the victim. We do not want to hinder a prosecution in this case nor discourage other victims — and we believe there are more — from coming forward. As a result, this article has been edited to remove details of the crimes charged.

NEW ROCHELLE, NY (February 2, 2023) — The Westchester County District Attorney's Office has filed child pornography charges against a 21-year-old New Rochelle man.

Appearing before New Rochelle Judge Jared R. Rice, Jason Ricketts, 21, of New Rochelle, NY, was arraigned on multiple felony charges.

EDITOR's NOTE: Ricketts date of birth is February 3, 2001 so technically he was 21 years and 364 days on Thursday at 4:30 pm and turned 22 at midnight.

There is a **Jason Ricketts** of New Rochelle listed as a graduate of New Rochelle High School in 2021, and having attended Isaac E. Young Middle School before that. Sources have confirmed this is the person arraigned today. Given the timeline, many of the crimes appear to have occurred while he was a student at New Rochelle High School.

The Westchester County District Attorney's Office's Cyber Crimes Bureau, Child Abuse Bureau, High Technology Crimes Squad and Criminal Investigators with the Special Prosecutions Division conducted the investigation after receiving a referral from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children. The New Rochelle Police Department assisted with the investigation.

Law enforcement has seized multiple devices, which are being analyzed to identify other possible victims or witnesses.

Ricketts was charged with four felonies for offenses occurring on or about and between February 3, 2019 and January 18, 2023 at various locations within the City of New Rochelle.

Felony Charges (from the felony complaint):

COUNT ONE: THE OFFENSE OF COURSE OF SEXUAL CONDUCT AGAINST A CHILD IN THE FIRST DEGREE

The Defendant at the above date, time and place being eighteen years old or more, did over a period of time not less than three months in duration engage in two or more acts of sexual conduct, which included at least one act of sexual intercourse, oral sexual conduct, anal sexual conduct or aggravated sexual contact, with a child less than thirteen years old.

On or about and between February 3, 2019, and March 27, 2020, defendant, while at various locations within the City of New Rochelle, and being eighteen years old did engage in two or more acts of sexual conduct with a child less than thirteen years old.

COUNT TWO: THE OFFENSE OF USE OF A CHILD IN A SEXUAL PERFORMANCE

The Defendant employed, authorized or induced a child less than seventeen years of age to engage in a sexual performance or being a parent, legal guardian or custodian of such child, he consents to the participation by such child in a sexual performance.

On or about January 2, 2020, while at a location within the City of New Rochelle while knowing the character and content thereof, defendant employed, authorized or induced a child less than seventeen years of age to engage in a sexual performance.

COUNT THREE: THE OFFENSE OF PROMOTING AN OBSCENE SEXUAL PERFORMANCE BY A CHILD

The defendant, knowing the character and content thereof, he produced, directed, and promoted any obscene performance which includes sexual conduct by a child less than seventeen years of age.

On or about August 15, 2022, the defendant "promoted" a video file (downloaded the file to Dropbox) which contained an obscene performance including sexual conduct by a child less than seventeen years of age.

The defendant promoted this image when he downloaded it from a Dropbox account.

COUNT FOUR: THE OFFENSE OF POSSESSING AN OBSCENE SEXUAL PERFORMANCE BY S CHILD

Defendant had in his possession and control, or knowingly accessed with intent to view, an obscene performance which includes sexual conduct by a child less than sixteen years of age.

On or about January 18, 2023, at approximately 6:00 AM, the defendant possessed an obscene performance which includes sexual conduct by a child less than sixteen years of age.

Rice issued Orders of Protection for three people — two adults and one minor.

Judge Rice set bail at \$250,000 cash, \$500,000 bond and \$1,000,000 partially secured bond.

Ricketts was remanded to Westchester County Jail. He has a return date of February 23, 2023.

The case is being prosecuted by Deputy Bureau Chiefs Laura Forbes and Janelle Armentano, and Senior Assistant District Attorney Cooper Gorrie.

The Child Abuse Bureau is located in the Westchester County District Attorney's Office. The phone number is (914) 995-3000.

UPDATE 2/3/23 1:30 PM We asked the City School District of New Rochelle for a statement. "Any inquiries should go to the DA's office".

UPDATE 2/6/23 3:00 PM: We have repeatedly requested a booking photo (aka, "mug shot") of Jason Ricketts from the DA but that request has been denied. The DA has said they are "prohibited from releasing it unless certain exceptions and those exceptions don't apply at this time". The law was changed in 2019. The law is not as clear on this point as the DA might want to claim.

Mugshot 'ban' causes confusion for police, media

...the law allows mugshots to be issued if "the release of such photographs will serve a specific law enforcement purpose," but offers no guidance on what "specific law enforcement purpose" means... Releasing mugshots can serve a law enforcement purpose, particularly when police are searching for a convict on the lam or more victims of a suspect.

We obtained photos from 2014 published on Jason Ricketts' Facebook profile. We continue to seek more current photos of Jason Ricketts; we can be reached at robertcox@talkofthesound.com.

PDATE 2/7/23: <u>As Westchester DA Asks Victims of New Rochelle Man to Come</u> <u>Forward, Our Readers Verify Current Photos of Jason Ricketts</u> UPDATE 2:6/22 3:20 PM Westchester County District Attorney Press Statement on Sex Offenses by New Rochelle Man

WHITE PLAINS, NY (February 6, 2023) — Westchester County District Attorney Miriam E. Rocah is urging any possible victims of a New Rochelle man charged with multiple felony sex offenses involving children to contact the DA's Office or police. Law enforcement has seized multiple devices, which are being analyzed to identify other possible victims or witnesses.

What they are saying:

Westchester County District Attorney's Miriam E. Rocah: "Sexual exploitation of minors is a crime that preys upon their vulnerabilities. We ask anyone who may have been victimized or may have information about other victims to contact us. We recognize the great difficulty for survivors to come forward, but stand ready to provide support for victims as our investigation continues."

The defendant, Jason Ricketts, 22, was arrested by the Westchester County District Attorney's Office and arraigned in New Rochelle City Court on February 2, 2023. He was charged with Course of Sexual Conduct Against a Child in the First Degree, Use of a Child in a Sexual Performance, Promoting an Obscene Sexual Performance by a Child, and Possessing an Obscene Sexual Performance by a Child, all felonies. The defendant is currently being held on bail, which was set at \$250,000 cash, \$500,000 bond and \$1 million partially-secured bond.

The Westchester County District Attorney's Office's Cyber Crimes Bureau, Child Abuse Bureau, High Technology Crimes Squad and Criminal Investigators with the Special Prosecutions Division conducted the investigation after receiving a referral from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC). The New Rochelle Police Department assisted with the investigation.

Anyone who may have been victimized or may have information about other possible victims of the defendant can contact the DA's Office Special Prosecutions Division at (914) 995-3000. Language assistance is available.

The case is being prosecuted by Deputy Bureau Chiefs Laura Forbes and Janelle Armentano, and Senior Assistant District Attorney Cooper Gorrie. https://talkofthesound.com/2023/02/0sfw-new-rochelle-man-charged-with-multiple-felony-charges-for-production-and-distribution-of-child-pornography/

Sheriff: Clermont County man indicted on child pornography, firearm charges

Updated: 4:12 PM EST Nov 10, 2023

Emily Sanderson

CLERMONT COUNTY, Ohio —

A man has been indicted on multiple child pornography and firearm charges in Clermont County.

The Clermont County Sheriff's Office said **Jason Voss**, 41, is facing 15 counts of pandering obscenity involving a minor and one count of weapons under disability.

The indictment follows an investigation from the sheriff's office after they received a tip in July from Internet Crimes Against Children and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children involving an address in Batavia Township where child pornography was uploaded.

The sheriff's office executed a search warrant and, during the search, seized multiple electronics and storage devices that revealed images of child pornography.

Several firearms were also located in the residence and identified as belonging to Voss, the sheriff's office said. The firearms were collected and stored as evidence due to a previous felony conviction for burglary in 2014.

Detectives took Voss into custody, and the investigation remains ongoing.

Detectives are working with ICAC and NCMEC to determine the identities of any victims and/or perpetrators shown in the images.

Voss will be arraigned on his indictment in front of Judge Brock at Clermont County Common Pleas Court on Monday.

https://www.wlwt.com/article/clermont-county-man-indicted-child-pornography-jason-voss/45803473#

269 pieces of child pornography found on phone

Brett Crossley Oct 23, 2023

Lock Haven, Pa. — Investigating six tips in reference to child pornography, police located 269 pieces of media containing on a man's phone.

Investigators raided the home of **Jason Young**, 48, of Lock Haven in the 10 block of N. Vesper Street on Oct. 12 after receiving six cyber tips relating to child pornography, Trooper James Ballantyne said. After taking Young into custody, investigators discovered the images on his phone, Ballantyne added.

On June 27, state police investigators received a tip from ICAC (Internet Crimes Against Children) in reference to 32 videos of suspected child pornography being uploaded, according to the complaint. Investigators received five more tips from the end of June to the close of August.

Ballantyne linked a cell phone and its number to the account in August of this year. It matched Young, who later admitted it was his number during an interview with police, investigators said.

A search warrant was executed on the property on North Vesper Street on Oct. 12. Young, who was the only person inside the home, was taken into custody by state police.

Investigators matched Young's phone to the one flagged. They also found an Xbox registered with an email matching the one on the flagged Verizon account.

Of the 269 videos, 82 had children that matched victims from previous cases who were identified. All six tips came from a company that manages Verizon Wireless's cloud storage, according to the report.

Young was charged with second-degree and third-degree child pornography. He was also charged with third-degree felony criminal use of a communication facility.

Judge Keith Kibler set bail at \$50,000 monetary earlier this month. https://www.northcentralpa.com/news/269-pieces-of-child-pornography-found-on-phone/article_d665af52-71ce-11ee-bbe6-dbed2356c177.html

1000+ Child Porn Images Found In Morris Co. Man's Home: Prosecutor

Jeff A. Fernandez, 25, from Boonton, had over 1,000 pieces of Child Sexual Abuse Material in his possession.

Vianella Burns, Patch Staff Posted Fri, Aug 18, 2023 at 12:27 pm ET

MORRIS COUNTY, NJ — A Morris County man has been arrested on a charge of child pornography possession, the Morris County Prosecutor's Office announced.

Jeff A. Fernandez, 25, of Boonton, was arrested Tuesday following an investigation into a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Morris County Prosecutor Robert J. Carroll said.

Fernandez has been charged with one count of endangering the welfare of a child for the possession of child sex abuse material, police said.

According to investigators, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children sent police a tip referencing an apparent upload of images of child pornography.

Based on the tip, investigators identified Fernandez as a suspect and determined that he allegedly had access to more than 1,000 items of child pornography on an electronic device, according to authorities.

Since his arrest this week, Fernandez has been released with pretrial release conditions that include monitoring and limited internet usage, police said.

Anyone with information relating to this investigation is asked to contact the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force of the Sex Crimes and Child Endangerment Unit of the Morris County Prosecutor's Office at 973-285-6200. https://patch.com/new-jersey/morristown/1000-child-porn-images-found-morris-co-mans-home-prosecutor

Man arrested in connection with possession of child pornography

by: Bay City News Posted: Jun 9, 2023

SANTA ROSA, Calif. (BCN) — Police in Santa Rosa on Thursday arrested a man in connection with possession of child pornography.

Jeffery Jon Billings, of Santa Rosa, was arrested on suspicion of possession of child pornography with a previous conviction requiring registration under the Sex Offender Registration Act, according to the Santa Rosa Police Department.

In August of 2022, detectives began investigating a tip a convicted sex offender was in possession of child pornography and identified Billings as the suspect. On Thursday at 8:50 a.m., detectives from the Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault unit spoke with Billings at the Santa Rosa Police Department, and he was ultimately arrested.

Detectives then served a search warrant at Billings' residence in the 600 block of West Avenue and collected numerous items of evidence, police said. https://www.kron4.com/news/bay-area/man-arrested-in-connection-with-possession-of-child-pornography/

Burgaw man accused of accessing child pornography, charged with 20 felonies

By WECT Staff

Published: Jun. 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM EDT

PENDER COUNTY, N.C. (WECT) - The Pender County Sheriff's Office has announced the arrest of 52-year-old **Jeffery Dewayne Goodwin** from Burgaw.

Per the PCSO, he was arrested on Monday, June 26, and charged with 20 counts of felony second-degree sexual exploitation of minors.

Officials say that an investigation began after a report that Goodwin allegedly accessed images depicting child pornography.

He was arrested at his home and given a \$500,000 secured bond. His first appearance was on Tuesday, and he is being held at the county jail.

"The Pender County Sheriff's Office is asking anyone with knowledge about Goodwin and this investigation to call Detective-Sergeant Steve Clinard at 910-259-1437," the PCSO announcement states.

https://www.wect.com/2023/06/28/burgaw-man-accused-accessing-child-pornography-charged-with-20-felonies/

CCSD substitute teacher arrested on multiple counts of sexual exploitation of a minor: MPPD

by Ian Kayanja Thu, November 2nd 2023

CHARLESTON COUNTY, S.C. (WCIV) — The Mount Pleasant Police Department arrested a man on numerous counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, officials said.

Jeffery Hoyt Watkins is charged with 10 counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, officials said.

Watkins was a substitute teacher in the Charleston County School District, officials said.

The school district was made aware of the arrest and officials said personnel within the district are cooperating.

Lucy Garrett Beckham Principal Anna Dassing said Thursday in a message to families and staff that Watkins was a sub at their school in Mount Pleasant three times this school year.

The full message sent out to families and staff reads:

Lucy Beckham Families and Staff,

This afternoon we were notified by the Mount Pleasant Police Department that one of the Kelly Services substitute teachers has been arrested as a part of an Internet Crimes Against Children investigation. Jeffrey Watkins has been charged with Third Degree Sexual Exploitation of a Minor. At this time, we are not aware of any CCSD students involved in the circumstances that led to the arrest, but we will remain in close contact with the Mount Pleasant Police and provide any cooperation they request.

Mr. Watkins has been a sub in multiple district schools this year, including three times in our building this school year. Information related to the arrest is being shared publicly by MPPD, so we wanted to make you aware of the individual's status as one of the subs who came to our building.

Our team remains committed to the safety of our students. If you have any concerns or need further support, please contact a member of the school administration.

Sincerely,

Principal Anna Dassing

Officers from the Mount Pleasant Police Department say there is no evidence at this time to link any CCSD students to the circumstances that led to the arrest. https://abcnews4.com/news/local/ccsd-substitute-teacher-arrested-on-multiple-counts-of-sexual-exploitation-of-aminor-mppd

Mattoon Man Arrested for Possession of Child Pornography

Effingham, IL / Effingham Radio Mar 24, 2023 | 8:02 PM

Mattoon, IL-(Effingham Radio)- The following has been released by the City of Mattoon Police Department on their Facebook Page:

Mattoon Police arrested **Jeffrey A. Derixson**, age 50 of Mattoon, for the offenses of Possession of Child Pornography (3 counts) and Unauthorized Video Recording. The arrest occurred on March 23rd at 10:20am at the Mattoon Police Department.

On February 14th, 2023 Mattoon Police received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding an individual possessing child pornography. After obtaining court authorized search warrants, Officers identified the suspect as Derixson and located explicit photographs and videos of underage children. It is also alleged that Derixson set up a hidden camera inside his residence, which captured multiple nude photographs/videos of juveniles and adults.

Derixson was processed and transported to the Coles County Safety and Detention Center. His bond was set at \$150,000 (10% applies). https://www.effinghamradio.com/2023/03/24/mattoon-man-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography/

Sioux Falls Man Charged with Child Pornography Charges

Thursday, June 15, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, District of South Dakota

SIOUX FALLS - United States Attorney Alison J. Ramsdell announced that a federal grand jury has indicted a Sioux Falls, South Dakota, man for two counts of Possession of Child Pornography and Transportation of Child Pornography.

Jeffrey Michael Dicus, age 38, was indicted in June of 2023. He appeared before U.S. Magistrate Judge Veronica L. Duffy on June 9, 2023, and pleaded not guilty to the Indictment.

The maximum penalty upon conviction is up to 20 years in federal prison and/or a \$250,000 fine, life of supervised release, and up to \$300 to the Federal Crime Victims Fund. Restitution may also be ordered.

The Indictment alleges that on or about between April 12, 2013, and February 8, 2023, and also between February 16, 2018, and February 8, 2023, Dicus knowingly possessed and attempted to possess material which contained images of child pornography that had been shipped and transported using an electronic device, and had been shipped and transported in and affecting interstate and foreign commerce.

The Indictment also alleges that on or about between January 5, 2017, and February 8, 2023, Dicus knowingly transported child pornography into his Dropbox account.

The charges are merely accusations and Dicus is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

The investigation is being conducted by Homeland Security Investigation and the Sioux Falls Police Department. Assistant U.S. Attorney Jeffrey C. Clapper is prosecuting the case.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse, launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by the U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the DOJ's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe

Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit https://www.justice.gov/psc.

Dicus was remanded back to the custody of the State pending trial. A trial date has not been set.

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Sumner man sentenced to prison for child porn

Jeff Reinitz Apr 6, 2023 Updated Jul 11, 2023

SUMNER — A Sumner man has been sentenced to prison for thousands of child porn images found on his computer.

Jeffrey James Gruber, 60, was sentenced to five years and three months in federal prison on charges of possession of child pornography during a hearing U.S. District Court in Cedar Rapids on Wednesday. Following prison, he will be on supervised release for five years.

Gruber was also ordered to pay \$22,000 in restitution.

Authorities received an alert about activity on his internet address in 2017, and officers with the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation and Sumner Police Department searched his home on March 8, 2017. Investigators found more than 3,500 photographs and 35 videos of child porn, some involving children under age 12, on his eMachines computer, according to court records.

Prosecutors allege Gruber possessed the child porn between November 2016 and March 2017.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood and prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Liz Dupuich.

https://wcfcourier.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/sumner-man-sentenced-to-prison-for-child-porn/article_8548a37d-946b-5d13-883d-cad6a283f9c9.html

Syracuse man arrested on 26 child porn charges, deputies say

Updated: May. 11, 2023 By Fernando Alba

Syracuse, N.Y. — A Syracuse man was arrested Thursday on 26 child pornography charges, sheriff's deputies said.

Jeffrey Kearney, 59, is facing 13 counts of promoting a sexual performance by a child and 13 counts of possessing a sexual performance by a child, Onondaga County Sheriff's spokesperson Tom Newton said.

A tip to the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program kicked off the investigation, Newton said. It lasted 14 months.

Kearney is charged with downloading the images over the internet, Newton said.

Kearney is being held at the Onondaga County Justice Center jail on no bail, according to jail records.

https://www.syracuse.com/crime/2023/05/syracuse-man-arrested-on-26-child-porn-charges-deputies-say.html

Wilkes-Barre man charged with possessing child sexual abuse materials

October 27, 2023
By Ed Lewis elewis@timesleader.com

WILKES-BARRE — A video two minutes and 10 seconds in length depicting a prepubescent girl engaged in a sex act led to the discovery of 42 other images of child sexual abuse materials on the cellular phone of a man from Wilkes-Barre, according to court records.

Jeffrey Raymond Rivera, 29, of Madison Street, was arrested Thursday on allegations he downloaded and saved the images and videos on his phone, court records say.

Rivera was arraigned by District Judge Thomas Malloy of Wilkes-Barre on 42 counts of possession of child pornography and one count each of dissemination of film or image of child sex acts and criminal use of communication facility. He was released on \$75,000 unsecured bail.

According to the criminal complaint:

Luzerne County detectives as members of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and Pennsylvania State Police Northeast Computer Crime Unit received a Cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The Cyber tip involved the video of a pre-teen girl engaged in a sex act linked to Rivera's cellular phone, the complaint says.

Rivera was confronted by detectives with a search warrant for his cellular phone Thursday.

After Rivera was given his Miranda warnings, he agreed to speak with detectives, the complaint says.

Rivera admitted, the complaint says, he had been viewing child sexual abuse materials for two years and often finds himself viewing child sexual abuse materials when he gets stressed.

Rivera explained he used an online application that referred him to links and paid approximately \$100 to \$200 to access the site, the complaint says.

Detectives in the complaint say Rivera denied he had child sexual abuse materials saved on his cellular phone.

A forensic analysis of Rivera's cellular phone revealed 42 images of child sexual abuse materials including the video that led to the Cyber tip, according to the complaint.

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Las Vegas man awaiting new trial on sex charges found with thousands of child pornography files: police

by: David Charns

Posted: May 9, 2023 / 03:27 PM PDT Updated: May 9, 2023 / 11:13 PM PDT

LAS VEGAS (KLAS) — A Las Vegas man who spent nearly two decades in prison on child sex assault charges, and who was granted a new trial, was found with more than 7,000 files of child pornography, police said.

Jeffrey Rose, 56, faces nine counts of possession of child pornography, records showed.

On April 22, Las Vegas Metro police officers were called to an apartment complex in the southeast valley for a report of a person with "inappropriate pictures of children," documents said. The address was redacted in court documents the 8 News Now Investigators reviewed.

A group called Predator Poachers claimed a member, posing as someone else, had chatted with Rose, police said.

While speaking with officers, Rose "confessed to possession [of child pornography] on multiple devices inside the residence," officers wrote in court documents. "He claimed he was collecting the files with the intention of turning them over to law enforcement to help with his other case."

The other case, police said, was a prior conviction for sexual assault of a minor, police said. Rose told police he served 17 in prison for the charge, documents said. Rose was sentenced on a charge of sexual assault of a child under the age of 16 and began a prison sentence in 2004, Nevada Department of Corrections records said.

In 2002, police received a report that Rose had sexually assaulted two children in his home, documents said. Rose was tried over two trials because the first ended in a mistrial, documents said. In the second trial, a jury found him guilty, and a judge sentenced him to life in prison with the possibility of parole.

Rose's attorney at the time petitioned to federal court, saying the abuse could not have happened because he was in the Navy and out of state at the time, documents said.

In 2020, The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit granted Rose's request for a new trial and his release from prison. That trial, rescheduled several times since, was due to begin in July, records showed.

Police later obtained a search warrant for 20 electronic storage devices, they said. Police said their examination found more than 7,500 files of child pornography, noting some of the files may be duplicates.

Police arrested Rose on Monday, May 1, records showed. A judge denied setting bail. He was due to return to court on Thursday.

https://www.8newsnow.com/investigators/las-vegas-man-awaiting-new-trial-on-sex-charges-found-with-thousands-of-child-pornography-files-police/

State Police arrested a town of Hamptonburgh man for possession of child pornography.

08 June 2023

NEW YORK STATE POLICE Major Paul M. DeQuarto Troop F Commander

PRESS RELEASE

State Police Montgomery Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) and the Troop F Computer Crimes Unit (CCU) initiated an investigation of child sexual abuse material possessed by **Jeffrey M. Rubin**, age 56 from the town of Hamptonburgh. On May 5, 2023, a search warrant was executed at his address, where numerous electronic devices were seized and found to contain numerous images of child pornography. On June 8, 2023, Rubin was arrested and charged with Promoting Sexual Performance of a Child Under 17 and Possession of Obscene Sexual Performance by a Child, both felonies. He was arraigned in the Middletown City Court before Judge Brockett. Bail was set in the amount of \$1,000 cash/\$5,000 bond. He was remanded to Orange County Jail. https://www.nyspnews.com/state-police-arrested-town-hamptonburgh-man-for-possession-child-pornography

Chesapeake man charged with 10 counts of child porn possession

by: Brian Reese Updated: Jun 10, 2023

CHESAPEAKE, Va. (WAVY) — A Chesapeake man faces 10 felony counts related to possession of child pornography after authorities searched his home on Friday.

The Chesapeake Police Department says **Jeffrey Scott Shirley** was arrested after they executed a search warrant in the 900 block of Levee Lane, off Shell Road in the Deep Creek area. He's being held without bond.

No other details in the case have been shared, but police said they were assisted by the Naval Criminal Investigative Service and the date of the alleged offenses was Jan. 16, 2023.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the Chesapeake Police Department Criminal Investigations Section at 757-382-6251 or can call the Crime Line at 1-888-LOCK-U-UP.

https://www.wavy.com/news/local-news/chesapeake-man-charged-with-10-counts-of-felony-child-porn-possession/

Cedar City man facing 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor after police search his phone

Written by Jeff Richards March 5, 2023

CEDAR CITY — A Cedar City man is facing multiple felony charges after investigators allegedly found images of child pornography on his phone.

Jeremiah Ronald Daws, 27, was arrested on Feb. 9 and booked into Iron County Jail on suspicion of 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, a second-degree felony. He has since been released after posting \$5,000 bail.

According to the probable cause statement filed in support of Daws's arrest, Cedar City Police received a referral in January from the state Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. Following up on the referral, police contacted Daws at his residence in the southwestern part of Cedar City.

"I advised him I needed to take custody of his phone and he provided it to me," the arresting officer wrote in the affidavit. After being read his Miranda rights, Daws provided the officer with the passcode to the phone and agreed to speak without an attorney present. Court records show that he also signed a consent form authorizing the phone to be searched.

"I opened the gallery folder and observed more than 10 pictures of prepubescent children nude and performing sex acts," the officer wrote in the affidavit.

Daws was then placed under arrest and taken to jail, after being medically cleared at the hospital.

Daws' initial appearance in 5th District Court was originally scheduled for Feb. 13, but was rescheduled for two weeks later. At Daws's initial court appearance on Monday, Judge Matthew L. Bell appointed public defender Jeffery Slack to represent the defendant.

Daws's next scheduled appearance is a roll call hearing on April 3.

This report is based on statements from court documents and law enforcement officials and may not contain the full scope of findings. Persons arrested or charged are presumed innocent until found guilty in a court of law or as otherwise decided by a trier-of-fact.

https://www.cedarcityutah.com/news/archive/2023/03/05/jmr-cedar-city-man-facing-10-counts-of-sexual-exploitation-of-a-minor-after-police-search-his-phone/#.ZWSyJHbMJD9

Unnatural Assault of a Child Arrest Tops Thursday Booking Report

By Yantis Green, September 22, 2023

SAN ANGELO – 27 scofflaws were booked into the Tom Green County Jail in the last 24 hours on a variety of charges ranging from Sexual Assault of a Child to U.S. Marshal Holds to Drug Dealing to No Permit to be at Twin Buttes.

San Angelo LIVE! is the only news agency in the Concho Valley that consistently publishes the Booking Report for you seven days a week.

19-year-old **Jeremiah Tharp** was arrested by Tom Green Co. Sheriff's Deputies for Sexual Assault of a Child. He was booked into the Tom Green Co. Jail at 1:09 a.m. Friday. His bond is recommended at \$25,000.00.

35-year-old Rudolfo Munoz Jr. of San Angelo was arrested by San Angelo Police on a variety of charges including Public Hunting Lands: No Annual Limited Public Use Permit, Improperly Displayed License Plate, No Insurance, Overwidth (102), CPF x2, FTA, and VPTA x2. He was booked into jail at 8:46 a.m. Thursday and released at 4:58 p.m. after posting \$3,154.00 bond. An Annual Limited Public Use Permit or Hunting & Fishing License from the Texas Parks & Wildlife Dept. is required for access to Twin Buttes Reservoir.

32-year-old Justin Malloy was arrested by San Angelo Police on several charges including Expired Drivers License, Expired Vehicle Registration, Failure to Display Drivers License, Operating a Vehicle with the Wrong License Plates, No Insurance x2, Speeding 15 - 24 mph Over the Posted Speed Limit – 28 MPH in a 10 MPH Zone, FTA COMM Failure To Appear ICON, FTA Failure To Appear, CPF x9, FTA x1, Possession COMM Possession of Drug Paraphernalia ICON, and Displaying a Fictitious License Plate. He was booked into jail at 11:03 p.m. Thursday. His bond is listed at \$6,198.00.

28-year-old Linda Garcia and 39-year-old Raul Garcia were booked for U.S. Marshal Holds.

San Angelo LIVE! makes no assumptions or representations about guilt or innocence of anyone on the booking report. Regardless of the headline, individuals charged with crimes are presumed innocent until proven guilty. Information on the site should not be used to determine any person's actual

criminal record.

The charges listed in this booking report are taken directly from information provided by the Tom Green County Sheriff's Office and Jail. They are not altered in any way and may or may not be the actual charges filed against the individual.

If the charges appear incorrect in this report, that incorrect information is the fault of the District Attorneys office.

The bond amounts listed on the booking report are initial amounts recorded during the booking process. Actual bonds are set by magistrate judges, usually Justices of the Peace, within 24 hours of an individual's arrest and are updated on the jail website.

https://ctnocontent.cybertip.org/cybertip/reports/170298858/feedback

Fairhope man charged with possession of child pornography

By Hal Scheurich

Published: May. 10, 2023

FAIRHOPE, Ala. (WALA) - A Fairhope man is in the Baldwin County Jail, charged with four counts of possession with intent to disseminate child pornography. The arrest came after an extensive investigation initiated by the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) task force.

Cyber tip leads to arrest of **Jeremy Kinsey** who now faces four charges possession with intent to disseminate child pornography(Baldwin County Sheriff's Office)

Fifty-three-year-old Jeremy Kinsey of Fairhope was arrested Tuesday, May 9, 2023 during a traffic stop. Baldwin County deputies launched an investigation into Kinsey's online activities in April after a cyber tip was received by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

"He was indeed viewing these things online over chat groups and whatnot and he had basically copied and recovered these images and possibly videos for further dissemination later on," said Lt. Andrew Ashton with the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office.

Investigators said the victims associated with this case are not local, which is often the case in these types of crimes. Because pictures and video are put online, they can live on in perpetuity which can be especially hard on victims.

"That's correct. I mean, the images that are shared, like you said, a lot of times they could be older images and whatnot but they're actually just becoming known images that are being shared," Ashton said.

Ashton said it's because of the extensive network of law enforcement agencies that now work with ICAC that arrests like this one are possible.

"It's made up of a network of both federal and local agencies and usually, Homeland Security, ALEA with the state will be involved here in Alabama and then, you have your local jurisdictions that have members that are involved with it as well," explained Ashton.

The Baldwin County Sheriff's Office currently has two investigators assigned to look into internet crimes such as this and said cases like this highlight the need

for parents to have those difficult conversations with their kids and be involved with what they're doing online.

Jeremy Kinsey's remains in the Baldwin County Jail with bond set at \$100,000. https://www.fox10tv.com/2023/05/10/fairhope-man-charged-with-possession-child-pornography/

Collier County man arrested after offering child for sex on dating app

by Ryan Arbogast 7:20 PM EDT, Wed May 10, 2023

COLLIER COUNTY, Fla. – A Collier County man was arrested on Friday after offering a child for sex over a dating app.

Detectives say 27-year-old **Jeremy Kenneth Mannerberg** sent at least six photos of a three-year-old girl to unknown users on the "MeetMe" app from March 23 to April 10.

An account registered to Mannerberg also shared messages encouraging those recipients to have sex with the toddler.

"These are the toughest case scenarios when we are talking about children who are being exploited under the age of a school-age child," said Linda Oberhaus, the CEO of the Shelter for Abused Women & Children.

A month-long investigation began when the Collier County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) received a cyber tip from the MeetMe app, and later from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

That information led CCSO to discover that the crime was happening at Mannerberg's residence, where a search warrant was carried out on April 21.

"This sort of thing is happening quite a bit. We are just fortunate in this case it was reported to the Center for Missing and Exploited Children," added Oberhaus.

Mannerberg's home matched the interior in the images of the victim that were sent to the MeetMe user –including similar factors such as the same tile floor, kitchen table top and walls, etc., according to CCSO documents.

It is unclear whether the 3-year-old girl was physically harmed during the crime.

"The youngest victims of human trafficking, the most vulnerable ones, they are the saddest cases really. These children are not in a place to protect themselves," said Oberhaus.

Mannerberg denied all charges and told CCSO deputies he did not take or send any photos of the child. He also told deputies he did not engage in any sexual activity with the child.

His wife, Clarissa, told responding law enforcement he was responsible.

He is currently in custody in the Collier County Jail on pornography charges. Mannerberg is being held at a \$50,000

https://nbc-2.com/news/crime/2023/05/06/collier-county-man-arrested-after-offering-child-for-sex-on-dating-app/

Mount Pleasant Man Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

OCT 16, 2023

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of **Jeremy Edwin Middleton**, 27, of Mount Pleasant, S.C., on four charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Mount Pleasant Police Department made the arrest. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office, Charleston County Sheriff's Office, Charleston Police Department, and Homeland Security Investigations, all also members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with the investigation.

Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to Middleton. Investigators state Middleton possessed files of child sexual abuse material.

Middleton was arrested on October 11, 2023. He is charged with four counts of sexual exploitation of a minor third degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

This case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven quilty in a court of law.

* Child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, is a more accurate reflection of the material involved in these heinous and abusive crimes. "Pornography" can imply the child was a consenting participant. Globally, the term child pornography is being replaced by CSAM for this reason.

https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/mount-pleasant-man-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges-9/#:~:text=OCT%2016%2C%202023-

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Syracuse man arrested for possessing and promoting child pornography

by CNY Central Tue, July 18th 2023

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — **Jeremy Roundy**, 25, was arrested Friday by Onondaga County Sheriff's Detectives for promoting a sexual performance by a child and possession of a sexual performance by a child.

Detectives working as part of the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force received a tip that led to an investigation spanning several months.

Roundy was arraigned and is currently being held at the Justice Center on \$750 cash and \$10,000 bond.

He is scheduled to return to Syracuse City Court on July 19 for a preliminary hearing at 9:30 a.m.

https://cnycentral.com/news/local/syracuse-man-arrested-for-possessing-and-promoting-child-pornography-07-18-2023

East Texas man accused of using social media to obtain child pornography arrested

Mount Pleasant police said they received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children concerning online child pornography.

Author: Zak Wellerman

Published: 3:06 PM CST November 27, 2023 Updated: 3:07 PM CST November 27, 2023

MOUNT PLEASANT, Texas — An East Texas man accused of using social media to get child pornography was arrested Friday in Mount Pleasant.

Jerry Henderson, 53, was charged with possession of child pornography after a joint investigation with the Mount Pleasant Police Department, Texas Department of Public Safety Criminal Investigations and the Franklin County Sheriff's Office.

Mount Pleasant police said they received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children concerning online child pornography. An investigation into Henderson found he was allegedly using social media to obtain illegal material.

After a search warrant was issued at Henderson's home in Franklin County, officers found that Henderson was in possession of child porn. He was then arrested and booked into the Franklin County Jail.

https://www.cbs19.tv/article/news/local/east-texas-man-accused-of-using-social-media-obtain-child-pornography-arrested/501-c49ee00d-d37d-42f6-a440-cc07e6a90aa1

Minot man arrested in child pornography investigation

By Joe Skurzewski

Published: Feb. 27, 2023

MINOT, N.D. (KMOT) – Minot Police arrested a 63-year-old Minot man Friday after investigators said they found more than 100 videos depicting child sexual abuse on electronic devices in his home.

Jesse Carl Davis faces two counts of possession of certain materials prohibited, and one count of failure to register as a sexual offender.

According to a criminal affidavit, police received six cyber tips of possible child sexual abuse materials.

The affidavit indicates that, in a search of Davis' northeast Minot apartment, officers found a cell phone on a bed with at least 100 videos depicting child sexual abuse.

According to the affidavit, officers found another phone hidden in a bathroom closet with at least 20 such videos.

Investigators said Davis also failed to update his apartment number after moving, as well as his email address.

Davis, who remains in custody, will be arraigned April 6. The three charges are C felonies.

https://www.kfyrtv.com/2023/02/28/minot-man-arrested-child-pornography-investigation/#lnekbmg4i1j257dip7

Wilmer man charged with possessing child sex abuse material, recording without permission

by Keith Lane Wed, April 26th 2023

WILMER, Ala. (WPMI) — According to the Mobile Co. Sheriff's Office, n April 25, 2023, the MCSO Internet Crimes Against Children Unit (ICAC) arrested **Jessie Crawford**.

The investigation began when MCSO Detectives were able to recover numerous images and videos containing Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM) and were able to determine that Crawford was distributing these images to various people.

Tuesday, MCSO Detectives executed a search warrant at Crawford's home located at 7040 B Wilmer Georgetown Road, Wilmer, AL.

During the search warrant, MCSO Detectives discovered additional images and videos of CSAM and that Crawford was secretly recording individuals known to him without their permission.

Crawford was arrested for Unlawful Dissemination of Child Pornography, Unlawful Possession of Child Pornography and Aggravated Criminal Surveillance. https://mynbc15.com/news/local/wilmer-man-charged-with-child-sex-abuse-material-secretly-recording-without-permission

Enfield Arrest Log: November 9-15

This public information from the Enfield Police Department is accurate as of Nov. 16, 2023. Items reflect charges filed, not convictions.

Tim Jensen, Patch Staff Posted Thu, Nov 16, 2023 at 11:01 am ET

ENFIELD, CT — Here are the most recent arrest logs, provided as public information by the Enfield Police Department. Items reflect charges filed, not convictions.

Thursday, Nov. 9

Jesus Nieves, 26, of Hartford, was charged with possession of child pornography (two counts), 7:01 a.m.

Reyna Dishmey, 24, of Chicopee, Mass., was charged with possession of a controlled substance, use of drug paraphernalia and possession of narcotics with intent to sell, 1:00 p.m.

Deandre Bouknight, 20, of Springfield, Mass., was charged with possession of a controlled substance, use of drug paraphernalia and possession of narcotics with intent to sell, 1:00 p.m.

Kevin Maynard, 35, of Broad Brook, was charged with second-degree breach of peace and second-degree threatening, 3:40 p.m.

https://patch.com/connecticut/enfield/enfield-arrest-log-november-9-15

Miami Man Arrested For Possessing Disturbing Child Sexual Abuse Videos

ByRob Garguilo Jun 30, 2023

Miami, FL - A 22-year-old Miami man has been arrested on 15 felony charges after police discovered video files depicting child sexual abuse in his possession.

Police say **Jianni Hitchman** was arrested by the Miami Police Department following a tip regarding multiple explicit videos that had been uploaded to a Google account.

Law enforcement officials executed a search warrant at Hitchman's residence on Southwest 11th Street on Wednesday, resulting in the seizure of various electronic devices.

According to authorities, detectives found 15 videos in Hitchman's possession that depicted boys and girls as young as 3 years old engaged in sex acts.

Hitchman's arrest report indicates that he made a confession, although specific details were redacted from the public record.

Hitchman is being held at the Turner Guilford Knight Correctional Center on a \$22,000 bond.

https://wflanews.iheart.com/featured/florida-news/content/2023-06-29-man-arrested-possessing-disturbing-child-sexual-abuse-videos/

150 counts of child porn filed against Hornbeck man

By KPLC Digital Team Published: Jun. 14, 2023

Lake Charles, LA (KPLC) - A Hornbeck man is accused of having 150 files containing child sexual assault material, authorities said.

Those accusations led to 150 counts of pornography involving juveniles being filed against **Jimmy C. Prestridge II**, 47, according to Kayla Vincent, spokeswoman for the Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Office. Judge Tony Fazzio set bond at \$600,000.

Prestridge was staying in Calcasieu Parish at the time of the alleged crime, Vincent said.

He is currently being held at the Grant Parish Detention Facility on unrelated charges. The Sheriff's Office was unable to provide a mugshot because he is not being held at Calcasieu Correctional Center.

The Sheriff's Office Special Victims Unit began investigating on April 28, acting on a tip from the Louisiana Attorney General's Office and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Vincent said. After investigating, detectives issued an arrest warrant on June 13.

Vincent said more charges are possible.

https://www.kplctv.com/2023/06/14/150-counts-child-porn-filed-against-hornbeck-man/#lnelyb0cjwn9mhndu7m

BPD: Bakersfield man arrested on charges of child sexual abuse material and firearm possession

by BakersfieldNow Staff Fri, December 8th 2023

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. (KBAK/KBFX) — A 27-year-old man was arrested in southwest Bakersfield after police say he was in possession of child sexual abuse material and firearms.

The Bakersfield Police Department said on December 8, 2023, at around 8 a.m., officers and personnel from the Department of Homeland Security Investigations, United States Secret Service, and California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation conducted an investigation at a residence in the 4900 block of Gosford Road regarding child sexual abuse material.

Police said the alleged suspect, 27-year-old **Joaquin Ibarra** of Bakersfield was contacted in a public area near his home and found to be in possession of a loaded and concealed handgun.

The officers conducted a search of Ibarra's residence pursuant to a search warrant.

Police said as a result of the investigation, Ibarra was arrested for charges associated with possession of child sexual abuse material and firearms possession.

The Bakersfield Police Department is part of the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Program. Police said it is a national network of 61 coordinated task forces, representing over 5,400 federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies, dedicated to investigating and developing effective responses to internet crimes against children.

Anyone with information regarding this case is asked to call the Bakersfield Police Department at (661) 327-7111.

https://bakersfieldnow.com/news/local/bpd-bakersfield-man-arrested-on-charges-of-child-sexual-abuse-material-and-firearm-possession-police-kern-county-california-gosford-road

Frederick Man Charged With 20 Counts Of Possession And Distribution Of Child Pornography

June 1, 2023 - 2:03 pm

Frederick, Md. (BW) – A Frederick man was arrested and charged for 10 counts of possession and 10 counts of distribution of child pornography on Wednesday, May 31.

The man charged is 42-year-old **Joel Christensen**.

Deputies from the Frederick County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) successfully executed a search and seizure of a residence on the 6800 block of Running Springs Court, in Frederick.

Investigations revealed that Christensen downloaded and shared several images and videos of child sexual abuse.

The FCSO Internet Crimes Against Children Section and Frederick County Cyber Crimes Task Force had been building a case against the suspect since January.

They were assisted through CyberTips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

https://www.wfmd.com/2023/06/01/frederick-man-charged-with-20-counts-of-possesion-and-distribution-of-child-pornography/

Montgomery man charged with possession of child pornography

By Eric Schelkopf August 08, 2023 at 3:41 pm CDT

A Montgomery man has been charged with possession of child pornography after an investigation by the Kendall County Sheriff's Office.

John Henry Bloodworth, 23, of the zero to 100 block of Shermead Road, Montgomery, is charged with two felony counts of possession of child pornography. He is no longer in custody after paying 10% of a \$100,000 bond.

On Dec. 9, 2022, detectives from the Kendall County Sheriff's Office received a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that an online user, alleged to be Bloodworth, was in possession of child pornography, according to a news release from the sheriff's office. Detectives initiated an investigation into the tip.

Following their investigation, the Kendall County State's Attorney's Office charged Bloodworth, and on Aug. 2, a warrant was issued for his arrest. He was taken into custody Aug. 5 by sheriff's deputies.

His next court date is set for Aug. 21.

https://www.shawlocal.com/kendall-county-now/2023/08/08/montgomery-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography/

RIVER VALE, NJ MAN CHARGED WITH POSSESSION OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE MATERIAL

For Immediate Release: June 8, 2023

Bergen County Prosecutor Mark Musella announced the arrest of **JOHN J. DEFILIPPO** (DOB: 09/12/1959; single; mechanic) of 561 Westwood Avenue, River Vale, NJ on a charge of possession of child sexual abuse material. The arrest is the result of an investigation conducted by the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office under the direction of Chief Jason Love.

On Thursday, June 8, 2023, members of the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit executed a search warrant at the residence of JOHN DEFILIPPO during a months-long Internet child sexual abuse material investigation. The investigation revealed that DEFILIPPO used the Internet to view, download, and possess items depicting nude and/or sexually explicit prepubescent children.

As a result of the investigation, JOHN DEFILIPPO was arrested on Thursday, June 8, 2023, in River Vale, NJ and charged with third-degree possession of child sexual abuse material, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(b)(iii). DEFILIPPO was remanded to the Bergen County Jail pending a first appearance in Central Judicial Processing Court in Hackensack.

Prosecutor Musella states that the charge is merely an accusation, and that the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. Prosecutor Musella thanks the River Vale Police Department for its assistance, as well as the Bergen County and Morris County Sheriff's Offices, and the Washington Township and Lyndhurst Police Departments, which participate in the Bergen County Cyber Crimes Task Force.

https://www.bcpo.net/river-vale-nj-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-sexual-abuse-material/

Tomah man accused of possessing child pornography

By WEAU Staff

Published: Mar. 3, 2023

TOMAH, Wis. (WEAU) - A Tomah, Wis. man is accused of possessing child pornography.

According to a media release from the Tomah Police Department, on Wednesday, March 1, 2023 a joint law enforcement operation involving the Tomah Police Department and the Wisconsin Division of Criminal Investigation ended with the arrest of 37-year-old **John Dockerty** on the suspicion of possession of child pornography.

The media release from the Tomah Police Department says the investigation began with CyberTips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Dockerty is currently on parole for a 2017 conviction in Monroe County for possession of child pornography, according to the media release from the Tomah Police Department. The media release from the Tomah Police Department says Dockerty was released in Sept. 2021 and is a lifetime sex offender registrant.

Dockerty was taken to the Monroe County Jail and booked on the suspicion of possession of child pornography and probation/parole hold, according to the media release from the Tomah Police Department.

The media release from the Tomah Police Department says Tomah Area Ambulance Service and the Monroe County 911 Communications Center assisted.

https://www.weau.com/2023/03/03/tomah-man-accused-possessing-child-pornography/

Prosecutor: North Cape May, NJ, Man Had Over 1,800 Child Porn Files

By Chris Coleman Published: February 13, 2023

Authorities in Cape May County say a man from North Cape May is facing a child porn charge after being arrested late last week.

35-year-old **John T. Gillespie**, **Jr**., was taken into custody on February 10th and charged with second-degree possession of child pornography, according to Cape May County Prosecutor Jeffrey Sutherland.

This investigation stemmed from a National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (N.C.M.E.C.) CyberTip that revealed an unidentified subject, subsequently identified as John T. Gillespie Jr., possessed various videos and images of Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM) and uploaded them to his personal google account.

Last Friday, law enforcement officers executed a search warrant on Gillespie's home on Townbank Road, and, "multiple computers, tablets and an external hard drive were seized from the residence and found to contain over eighteen hundred (1,800) items of suspected Child Sexual Abuse Materials (CSAM)."

After being arrested, Gillespie was transported to Cape Regional Medical Center with the anticipation of being lodged in the Cape May County Correctional Center pending court proceedings.

Sutherland's office says those charged with a second-degree crime are subject to five to ten years in state prison if found guilty.

The public is reminded that charges are accusations and all persons are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

https://wpgtalkradio.com/prosecutor-north-cape-may-nj-man-had-over-1800-child-porn-files/#:~:text=35%2Dyear%2Dold%20John%20T,Missing%20and%20Exploited%20Children%20(N.C.M.E.C.)

\$20,000 bond set for man involved in allegedly possessing child porn

Fri, January 13, 2023 by Deseray Mckinzy

A White Hall man was arrested Thursday on allegations of possessing child pornography.

John Jones, 38, was taken into custody after an investigation by the Arkansas State Police.

During a court hearing Friday, Deputy Prosecutor Joe West explained the allegations.

Pine Bluff District Judge John Kearney set a \$20,000 bond for Jones, and told him to come back to court Feb. 16. Jones said he would hire his own attorney. https://www.deltaplexnews.com/20000-bond-set-for-man-involved-in-allegedly-possessing-child-porn/

Part-time Brick police officer arrested on child porn charges, cops say

Jenna Calderón Asbury Park Press June 14, 2023

BRICK - A part-time police officer in Brick Township has been charged after uploading images of child pornography to the internet, Ocean County Prosecutor Bradley D. Billhimer announced Wednesday.

John Kisch, 57, of Brick Township, was charged with possession of child pornography, Billhimer said.

The investigation stemmed from cyber-tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that an individual was uploading images of child pornography to the internet, Billhimer said. The Ocean County Prosecutor's Office High Tech Crime Unit identified an IP address associated with a Brick Township residence as the location the individual was uploading the images from.

Kisch was ultimately identified as the individual, Billhimer said. He is employed as a part-time Class I Special Police Officer in Brick Township.

On June 13, authorities executed a search warrant on Kisch's home in Brick Township, seizing a desktop computer where more than 100 images of child pornography were found, according to Billhimer.

Kisch was arrested and taken to Ocean County Jail, where he is lodged pending a detention hearing, the prosecutor said.

"We will continue to work with our law enforcement partners to protect the most vulnerable among us. Children are most deserving of our unwavering commitment to investigating and prosecuting these types of offenses," Billhimer said.

Kisch was employed by Brick Township for 22 years and had a \$28,819 salary as of March 31, according to the New Jersey Office of Information Technology.

Brick Township Business Administrator Joanne Bergin said that Kisch's part-time employment with the township was immediately terminated when they were notified of the charges.

"These crimes are among the most reprehensible someone can commit as they affect innocent and vulnerable children," Bergin said.

Brick Township Police Chief David Forrester said in a statement on Facebook that he is angered and saddened by the incident, and is disappointed over the actions Kisch has been accused of.

"They are inexcusable and do not represent the values and standards of the Brick Township Police Department," Forrester said.

As a law enforcement agency, Forrester said they are committed to the investigation and prosecution of those who exploit or harm children.

"I assure you that the men and women of the Brick Township Police Department are dedicated to serving you with integrity, professionalism and respect," he said. "We will continue to do everything we can to honor our oath to protect and serve you."

https://www.app.com/story/news/crime/2023/06/14/brick-police-officer-john-kisch-charged-possession-of-child-pornography/70321123007/

Fargo man accused of sharing child pornography via Twitter

By Gretchen Hjelmstad Published: Jun. 6, 2023

FARGO, N.D. (Valley News Live) - A Fargo man is facing two-dozen charges related to child pornography after a months-long investigation into one of his social media accounts.

A cyber tip came into the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children from Twitter, after they noticed suspicious activity on a user's account. Twitter reported child sexual abuse material was being sent by "AugustmoonA" using the chat feature from December 9 to December 16, 2022.

Investigators were able to determine the Twitter account was being used by **John Thomas Kvamme** of Fargo. He is charged in Cass County Court with 8 counts of promoting or directing an obscene sexual performance by a minor, which is a class A felony. He is also charged with 16 counts of possession of certain materials prohibited, which is a class C felony.

Court documents describe explicit sexual images involving children as young as 18 months old to approximately 15-years-old. Investigators say Kvamme not only possessed child pornography, but also shared and distributed the images with other users.

An additional folder was located with approximately 30 files of child porn, including several videos. The victims in these videos were between the ages of 5 and 16-years-old.

Investigators say Kvamme had conversations on Twitter indicating he has a sexual interest in children. Court documents say he admitted to being the owner of the Twitter account and the email address associated with this investigation.

Kvamme was arrested and booked into the Cass County Jail. He appeared in court on Tuesday, June 6, 2023 where bond was set at \$100,000 cash. Kvamme is not allowed to have unsupervised contact with minors, including his own daughter. He is also not allowed to use the internet. Kvamme is due back in court on July 5, 2023.

https://www.valleynewslive.com/2023/06/06/fargo-man-accused-sharing-child-pornography-viatwitter/#lnengjpvke6z835qc2

Marion County sting operation produces 2 more arrests of men facing child sex charges

Brandon Hogan, Digital Editor Published: June 1, 2023

MARION COUNTY, Fla. – An undercover Marion County Sheriff's Office sting operation that wrapped up last week is still taking names as two more men have since been arrested, accused of varying attempts to engage in sex acts with minors, according to the sheriff's office's social media.

The five-day sting — known as "Operation M.A.P. Mirage," utilizing an acronym that stands for "minor-attracted persons" — saw 20 arrests of men aged 22-79 years old, officials shared at a news conference May 23. Most of the arrestees had traveled in their attempts to meet a child for sex, unbeknownst to how they were among the over 100 men speaking online with detectives that were posing as children, the sheriff's office said.

The latest arrests are those of Charles Jones, 31, and **John Marchlewski**, 52, officials said.

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Jones is currently in custody at the Marion County Jail, where he faces a charge of transmitting material harmful to a minor, according to the sheriff's office.

Marchlewski was arrested May 23 via a warrant for using a computer to solicit a parent of a child for unlawful sexual conduct and unlawful use of a two-way communication device to facilitate a felony, officials said, adding he was also arrested by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement regarding two counts of possession of child pornography. He is currently in custody at the Lake County Jail.

In a statement, Marion County Sheriff Billy Woods expressed his revulsion at those arrested in the sting.

"I am disgusted and dismayed that there are people in this world who seek to harm innocent children," Woods said. "I will never stop devoting every resource I have at my disposal to bring to justice anyone trying to harm a child in my county. I am grateful for the dedication of each participant in this operation and their work to get these vile individuals into my jail."

https://www.clickorlando.com/news/local/2023/06/01/marion-county-sting-operation-produces-2-more-arrests-of-men-facing-child-sex-charges/

Harnett man charged with sex crimes

Victims ranged in age from 1 to 11

By ROBERT JORDAN Of the Record staff Dec 8, 2023 Updated Dec 8, 2023

An investigation by the Harnett County Sheriff's Office has resulted in multiple charges of sexual exploitation of minors.

In a statement released by Sheriff Wayne Coats, it was reported that **John Elvin Mullens** Jr., 47, of 74 Dove Trail, Sanford, is charged with 10 counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

"In October of 2023 Harnett County detectives assigned to the North Carolina Internet Crimes Against Children Task-force initiated an investigation involving child sexual assault material based on information received from the North Carolina National Center for Missing and Exploited Children," said Coats.

Based on the information received, detectives obtained and executed a search warrant at Mullens' home on Nov. 6. In that search, evidence was seized and later examined by a digital forensic examiner.

As a result of the evidence and according to case information on eCourts, investigators obtained warrants for Mullens' arrest on Dec. 6. Online records show that Mullens turned himself in and warrants were served on him at 8:46 a.m. Thursday.

His bond was set at \$100,000 secured by Magistrate Barry Hoyle.

A review of the warrants online revealed graphic details of severe sexual abuse of children described as ranging in age from 1 year old to 11 years of age. Mullens is accused of receiving graphic photos of the abuse and of transmitting them to others.

A first appearance in court was held on Thursday before Judge Resson O. Faircloth III. Mullens' attorney, Ryan Willis, made a motion to reduce Mullens' bond. The court denied the motion.

Mullens posted a \$100,000 bond at 1:38 p.m. on Thursday and he was released from the Harnett County Detention Center.

The next court appearance for Mullens is a probable cause hearing scheduled for Jan. 23.

https://www.mydailyrecord.com/news/crime/harnett-man-charged-with-sex-crimes/article_44fab99e-95d8-11ee-b553-27013ee546a0.html

Chester Co. man arrested, accused of having child sexual abuse

By WBTV Web Staff Published: May. 19, 2023

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (WBTV) - A Fort Lawn man was arrested for charges relating to the sexual exploitation of minors, the South Carolina Attorney General's Office announced Friday.

Investigators said they received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that led them to 43-year-old **John Edward Prigmore**.

Prigmore was allegedly found in possession of child sexual abuse material.

He was arrested May 16 and charged with two counts of sexual exploitation of a minor third degree, a felony punishable by up to 10 years in prison for each count.

https://www.wbtv.com/2023/05/19/chester-co-man-arrested-accused-having-child-sexual-abuse-materials/#lnenzocz17gr4ijvnwg

Dayton man faces more than a dozen child pornography charges

By Daniel Susco March 1, 2023

A Dayton man indicted Monday is facing more than a dozen child pornography charges.

John Leonard Rinehart, 24, was arrested on a warrant and booked Wednesday morning into the Montgomery County Jail following his indictment by a county grand jury for eight counts of pandering obscenity involving a minor and eight counts of illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material or performance.

The Dayton Police Department began investigating Rinehart after a detective received a tip from the Internet Crimes Against Children task force that Rinehart allegedly uploaded and downloaded child sexual assault material, according to the Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office.

Rinehart was scheduled to be arraigned March 14 in Montgomery County Common Pleas Court.

https://www.daytondailynews.com/crime/dayton-man-faces-more-than-a-dozen-child-pornography-charges/DIDOYL2SWZBNNMPAQ7RD7EKZGE/

Fox Valley Man Indicted for Child Pornography Production and Distribution

Tuesday, April 11, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Wisconsin

United States Attorney Gregory J. Haanstad of the Eastern District of Wisconsin announced that on April 11, 2023, a federal grand jury indicted **John D. Schaefer** (age: 34) of Menasha and Oshkosh, Wisconsin, on a count of production of child pornography, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2251(a), and a count of distribution of child pornography in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252A(a)(2)(A).

The indictment alleges that on or about August 2, 2020, Schaefer "employed and used a minor" for the purpose of creating a "visual depiction of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct." It further alleges that on or about September 21, 2021, Schaefer distributed a digital video depicting the sexual assault of a prepubescent child.

If convicted of the production charge, Schaefer faces a mandatory minimum 15 years' imprisonment and a maximum of 30 years' imprisonment. He faces up to 40 years' imprisonment on the distribution charge. He also faces up to a \$250,000 fine on each count.

This case was investigated by the City of Menasha Police Department and the City of Oshkosh Police Department. It will be prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Daniel R. Humble.

An indictment is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. The defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial at which the government must prove him guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006, by the U.S. Department of Justice. Led by U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as

well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov https://www.justice.gov/usao-edwi/pr/fox-valley-man-indicted-child-pornography-production-and-distribution

Pinellas County man charged with possessing, transmitting child pornography

by: Kaycee Sloan

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PINELLAS COUNTY, Fla. (WFLA) — A Palm Harbor man was arrested Tuesday following a monthslong child pornography investigation, according to the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office.

The sheriff's office said detectives assigned to the Crimes Against Children (CAC) unit began investigating 39-year-old **John Serrantino** after authorities received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) that child pornography was being shared on the internet.

According to PCSO, detectives continued their investigation over the course of several months, where they located "several files of child pornography on Serrantino's cell phone."

Authorities said the alleged images found on the 39-year-old's phone were of children between the ages of 3 to 14 years old.

Serrantino was arrested and charged with 20 counts of possessing child pornography and one count of transmitting child pornography. According to officials, when detectives interviewed Serrantino, he denied looking at the images.

He was taken to the Pinellas County Jail. At this time, the investigation is ongoing.

https://www.wfla.com/news/pinellas-county/pinellas-county-man-charged-with-possessing-transmitting-child-pornography/

Man charged with possession of child sex images

By JOE SCHRATZ Sun Staff Writer Aug 17, 2023

JONESBORO — A Jonesboro man was charged Wednesday with possession or use of child sexual abuse material.

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"There were approximately 60-70 images of child exploitation on his Dropbox account," the affidavit stated.

On Tuesday, the Jonesboro police Internet Crimes Against Children Unit executed a search warrant of Carmichael's residence in the 5900 block of Rees Road and arrested him on a bench warrant that had been obtained.

Carmichael's attorney, Randel Miller, pointed out to Fowler that Carmichael had no previous criminal history, was employed and serves in the Air Force Reserve. Fowler set Carmichael's bond at \$35,000 and ordered him not to have access to the internet.

Carmichael's next court date is Sept. 28 in Craighead County Circuit Court. https://www.jonesborosun.com/news/man-charged-with-possession-of-child-sex-images/article_beb3a1be-4488-59dc-9d22-403f3c15a070.html

Summerville man arrested on sexual exploitation of minors charges

By Pilar Briggs

Published: Jul. 12, 2023

COLUMBIA, S.C. (WCSC) - The South Carolina Attorney General's Office has announced that a Summerville man is facing 20 charges in connection to sexual exploitation of minors.

Johnathan Alexander Wade, 34, was arrested and charged with 20 counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, a news release states.

Investigators with the Internet Crimes Against Children received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children organization, which led them to Wade, according to the news release.

It goes on to say that investigators found files of child sexual abuse material in Wade's possession.

Investigators and the Dorchester County Sheriff's Office made the arrest on July 10, the general's office says.

Each count of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor is a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment if convicted.

https://www.live5news.com/2023/07/12/summerville-man-arrested-sexual-exploitation-minors-charges/#lnepbo7384yqr9558v4

Bonne Terre man facing child porn charges

By Amber Ruch

Published: Feb. 3, 2023

BONNE TERRE, Mo. (KFVS) - A man is facing child pornography charges after investigators served a search warrant at his home.

Johnnie L. Lewis, 35, of Bonne Terre, was formally charged with one count of promotion of child pornography and four counts of possession of child pornography.

He is being held at the St. Francois County Jail on a \$250,000 bond.

According to a release from the Missouri State Highway Patrol, investigators executed a search warrant at Lewis' home on Mound Street on Thursday, February 2.

They seized child pornography and electronic devices. https://www.kfvs12.com/2023/02/03/bonne-terre-man-facing-child-porn-charges/#lnepjb3k59y8mbd2mtg

Havelock man facing child porn charge

By WITN Web Team Published: Apr. 13, 2023

HAVELOCK, N.C. (WITN) - A tip from the National Center of Missing and Exploited Children has led to a Havelock man's arrest for child porn.

Johnny Davis, Jr. was charged with third degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

Havelock police said the cyber tip led to an investigation by them and the State Bureau of Investigations.

The 36-year-old Davis was jailed on a \$20,000 bond and had his first court appearance today.

https://www.witn.com/2023/04/13/havelock-man-facing-child-porn-charge/#lnepqjxmpyeushhjr5

FDLE arrests Holmes County man for possession of child sexual abuse material

For Immediate Release September 21, 2023

WESTVILLE, Fla. – Florida Department of Law Enforcement agents arrested **Johnny O'Neil Locke**, 31, of Westville, on six counts of possession of child sexual abuse material.

The case began in March 2023 after FDLE Pensacola agents received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). Through the investigative process, Locke was positively identified as the subscriber in the tip.

On Aug. 24, 2023, agents from FDLE's Panama City Field Office presented Locke a search warrant for his residence. Agents seized an electronic device and forensic examinations found images depicting the sexual abuse of children, some as young as 5 years old.

Locke was booked into the Walton County Jail on Sept. 19. The case will be prosecuted by the Office of the State Attorney, First Judicial Circuit.

Please visit the FDLE website to review tips for keeping your children safe online at https://secureflorida.org/Family-Safety/BPParents.htm.

For Further Information Contact: FDLE Office of Public Information (850) 410-7001

https://www.fdle.state.fl.us/News/2023/September/FDLE-arrests-Holmes-County-man-for-possession-of-c#: \$\$ c#: \$\$ ext=WESTVILLE 2C% 20Fla., and \$\$ 20Exploited 20Children 20(NCMEC) \$\$

Goose Creek Man Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of **Jonas Firmino Eugeni Da Silva**, 22, of Goose Creek, S.C., on one charge connected to the sexual exploitation of minors. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Goose Creek Police Department made the arrest. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office and Homeland Security Investigations, both also members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with the investigation.

Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to Da Silva. Investigators state Da Silva possessed files of child sexual abuse material.

Da Silva was arrested on April 19, 2023. He is charged with one count of sexual exploitation of a minor third degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment.

This case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

* Child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, is a more accurate reflection of the material involved in these heinous and abusive crimes. "Pornography" can imply the child was a consenting participant. Globally, the term child pornography is being replaced by CSAM for this reason.

https://www.scaq.gov/about-the-office/news/goose-creek-man-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges-6/

Sterling man arrested for child pornography while in court for previous charge

Author: Connor Day, Nina Burns (WQAD) Published: 4:42 PM CDT April 12, 2023

STERLING, Ill. — A Sterling man has been arrested for possession of child pornography while still moving through the court system for the same charges from a 3-year-old case.

Jonas Gragert, 36, was taken into custody on Tuesday, April 11 on a Whiteside County warrant for possession of child pornography.

The case dates back to December 2022 when police launched an investigation into Graget after he was identified as the suspect. A search warrant was executed at his home on Feb. 21, where police found several items of child sexual assault material.

Gragert was taken sent to the Whiteside County Jail on a \$500,000 bond that he was unable to pay.

This is Gragert's second time receiving child porn charges, following a previous arrest on Sept. 2, 2020, where he was charged with five counts of possession.

The 2020 case has been stalled in the Whiteside County court system for several years, with no notable developments occurring since June 30, 2021. Gragert is supposed to appear before a jury in June of this year, according to online court records.

Gragert is set to appear in court for a preliminary hearing on the most recent charges on April 24.

Whiteside County has been in the spotlight regarding sex offense cases following accusations that State's Attorney Terry Costello has been letting offenders off easy due to a series of plea bargains that led to six sex offenders receiving no jail time.

https://www.wqad.com/article/news/crime/jonas-gragert-child-pornography-charges-whiteside-county-second-time/526-c82ef231-4310-436c-b6b2-c31ca69a4eba

ISP arrests Canton man for possession of child porn

by WICS/WCCU Staff Thu, March 30th 2023

CANTON, III. (WICS) — Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation arrested a 24-year-old man from Canton for the Production of Child Pornography (Class X Felony) and Possession of Child Pornography (Class 2 Felony).

In January 2022, ISP DCI agents initiated an investigation on **Jonathan E. Allard**, after learning a subject was in possession of child pornography through an online platform.

During the investigation, ISP Investigators assigned to the Office of the Illinois Attorney General Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) gathered digital evidence indicating Allard was producing and possessing child pornography.

ISP gained access to digital evidence through an advancement in technology which led to the discovery of child pornography in February of 2023.

On Tuesday, the Fulton County State's Attorney's Office filed charges against Allard for Production of Child Pornography and Possession of Child Pornography.

Fulton County Circuit Judge Thomas B. Ewing issued an arrest warrant for Allard, who was taken into custody by ISP DCI Agents on Wednesday.

Allard was taken to the Fulton County Jail where he remains in custody, with bond set at \$100,000, 10 percent to apply.

https://newschannel20.com/news/local/isp-arrests-canton-man-for-possession-of-child-porn

Florida man charged with nearly 1,200 counts of child pornography

By Bob D'Angelo, Cox Media Group National Content Desk January 14, 2023 at 5:01 am PST

SEBRING, Fla. — A Florida man is facing nearly 1,200 counts of child pornography in what deputies are calling the largest collection ever seized in Highlands County, authorities said.

Jonathan Jhovanny Hernandez, 23, of Avon Park, was charged with 1,182 counts of child pornography and four counts of bestiality images, according to Highlands County online court records.

Hernandez was originally arrested on Dec. 29 by special victims unit detectives on several charges of child pornography possession and transmission after a four-month investigation, WFLA-TV reported.

"At that time, we told you the investigation was just getting started and there would likely be more charges," the Highlands County Sheriff's Office posted on Facebook. "What we should have said was there would likely be A LOT more charges -- like more than anyone in our county ... ever."

Hernandez was originally arrested after detectives found child pornography on his Discord account, an instant messaging application, according to the Miami Herald. Deputies searched Hernandez's home and discovered 15 electronic devices, according to the newspaper.

At the time, Hernandez was charged with two counts of possession of child pornography, two counts of transmitting child pornography, and one count of using a two-way communication device to facilitate a felony, the Herald reported.

The new charges were filed on Tuesday against Hernandez, who was out on bail, court records show. He was arrested the next day, the sheriff's office said.

"There is no telling how many charges he could face if detectives went through all the devices," the sheriff's office wrote on Facebook. "Detectives say Hernandez's collection of child porn is the largest they have ever seen."

Hernandez is being in the Highlands County Jail. Bail was set at \$2.4 million, WFTS-TV reported.

https://www.kiro7.com/news/trending/florida-man-charged-with-nearly-1200-counts-child-pornography/J3TYE7CD4ZE7ZCXWRG2GLNYCVQ/

Convicted Felon Charged with Dissemination of Child Pornography, Weapons Possession

Mar 15, 2023 Press Release

COOK COUNTY, IL – A convicted felon has been charged with dissemination of child pornography after investigators determined he shared sexually explicit images and videos of children as young as infants via a social media app, Cook County Sheriff Thomas J. Dart announced today.

Sheriff's Police investigators assigned to the Internet Crimes Against Children Unit (ICAC) received a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about a social media account containing hundreds of pornographic images and videos of underage children.

ICAC investigators determined the account belonged to **Jonathan Koziol**, 39, of the 800 block of Leahy Circle in Des Plaines and was used to distribute between 15-20 child sexual abuse material to other individuals.

On March 14, investigators executed a search warrant for his residence where they seized his cell phone, additional electronics, and a safe containing a handgun. Koziol was convicted in 2015 of aggravated assault to a police officer while operating a vehicle and did not possess an active Firearms Owners Identification Card or Conceal Carry License.

Koziol was then taken into custody and transported to Sheriff's Police Headquarters in Maywood. After being issued his Miranda Warning, Koziol told investigators he owned the seized cell phone.

He appeared today at the Skokie Courthouse, where he was issued a \$500,000 D Bond on charges of dissemination of child pornography, a Class X felony, and unlawful use and possession of a weapon by a felon, a Class 3 felony.

The public is reminded that the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty by the government in a court of law.

https://www.cookcountysheriffil.gov/convicted-felon-charged-with-dissemination-of-child-pornography-weapons-possession/

UI Student Charged With Several Felonies For Allegedly Possessing Child Sex Abuse Material

July 20, 2023 Evan Ellis

A University of Idaho student has been charged with several felonies for allegedly possessing child sexual abuse material.

20-year-old **Jonathan Looney** has been charged with 6 counts of felony possession of child sexually exploitative material in Latah County Second District Court. According to court documents, the case began in August when the Moscow Police Department's new computer forensic detective Lawrence Mowery received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The tip was initially reported by the online messaging app company Discord which found an email which may have contained child pornography. The email was from an IP address assigned to the UI.

Detective Mowery tracked the email to Looney and executed a search warrant at his Moscow apartment a week later. Officers seized Looney's digital devices. Detective Mowery reportedly found dozens of videos and images of child sexual abuse.

Looney made his initial court appearance in Moscow on Wednesday and is scheduled to be back in court next month.

https://pullman radio.com/ui-student-charged-with-several-felonies-for-allegedly-possessing-child-sex-abuse-material/

Newark man arrested for Child Porn and Forcible Touching

by WayneTimes.com April 8, 2023

State Police Investigators out of Lyons reported the arrest on Monday (4/3) of **Jonathan R. Pierce**, age 23, of 816 Church Street in the Village of Newark for two separate cases.

In the first case, Pierce was charged with Forcible Touching: Intimate Parts involving the younger sister of an ex-girlfriend that was reported under the age of 16.

The second case, reported by the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, involved a search warrant back on June 1st in 2022 where state police searched Pierce's home and social media accounts and discovered hundreds of child pornography images. He was charged with three counts of Felony Promotion of Sexual Performance by a Child Under the Age of 17.

Pierce was taken to the Wayne County Jail for CAP Court arraignment and released with an Order of Protection for the victim.

https://waynetimes.com/news/newark-man-arrested-for-child-porn-and-forcible-touching/

First Grade Teacher Charged with Solicitation of Child Sexual Abuse Material

Monday, August 21, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Southern District of Illinois Lauren Barry, Public Affairs Officer

EAST ST. LOUIS, III. – A man who taught first grade at New Baden Elementary School and coached girls' sports teams for Wesclin Community Unit School District 3 is facing a federal charge accusing him of soliciting child sexual abuse material (CSAM).

Jonathan C. Villmer, Jr., 25, of New Baden, Illinois, was charged via criminal complaint and is scheduled for arraignment on Wednesday in U.S. District Court in the Southern District of Illinois.

"Adults who prey on children and their vulnerabilities are menaces to society," said U.S. Attorney Rachelle Aud Crowe. "Individuals who work in schools and also exploit minors emulate another level of outwardly dangerous behavior."

The case was initiated by an otherwise unrelated investigation by the Carmi Police Department regarding the distribution of CSAM. That investigation led to an account soliciting CSAM on Snapchat that law enforcement connected to Villmer.

According to court documents, after obtaining a search warrant for Villmer's Snapchat account, police discovered explicit conversations with a 13-year-old minor. Villmer asked the minor for the "sexiest images," discussed having sex and taking the minor's virginity, and requested photographs of her genitals. Sexually explicit conversations and requests for images with other purported minors were also identified within Villmer's Snapchat account.

Based upon IP address records associated with the Snapchat account, law enforcement connected the account to Villmer. On Aug. 18, 2023, law enforcement executed a search warrant on Villmer's New Baden residence and seized two cell phones and other electronic devices. Villmer was arrested on scene.

An indictment is merely a formal charge against a defendant. Under the law, a defendant is presumed to be innocent of a charge until proved guilty beyond a reasonable doubt to the satisfaction of a jury.

If convicted, Villmer could face up to 20 years' imprisonment. His first court appearance is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on Aug. 23, 2023, at the federal courthouse in East St. Louis.

The Department of Homeland Security Investigations is conducting the investigation with support from the New Baden and Carmi Police Departments, and the Jefferson County and Clinton County Sheriffs' Departments. Assistant U.S. Attorney Ali Burns is prosecuting the case.

Anyone who believes they have information related to this case may contact Homeland Security Investigations Task Force Officer Bobby Wallace at the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office by calling 618-244-8004.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse, launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by U.S. Attorneys' Offices and CEOS, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdil/pr/first-grade-teacher-charged-solicitation-child-sexual-abuse-material

'Reprehensible and disgusting': Florida high school janitor allegedly found with child pornography of victims as young as infants

COLIN KALMBACHER Feb 16th, 2023, 1:38 pm

A Florida man and high school janitor was arrested and charged with a massive number of child pornography offenses earlier this week.

Jonathan Dibble, 32, is currently charged with exactly 100 counts of possessing 10 or more child pornography images, Martin County court records reviewed by Law&Crime show. Each of the offenses qualifies as a felony of the second degree in the Sunshine State.

The Jensen Beach High School janitor was arrested on Valentine's Day when the Martin County Sheriff's Office executed a search warrant at his home in Jensen Beach, Florida, according to a press release. The sheriff's office alleged "hundreds of disturbing still and video images of children as young as infants" were found in Dibble's possession.

"They've recovered over 100 child pornographic photos that depict children from the age of infant to 12 years old," Martin County Chief Deputy John Budensiek said in comments reported by Tequesta, Florida-based ABC affiliate WPBF, which serves the West Palm Beach area. Jensen Beach is part of the Port Saint Lucie metropolitan area and is located roughly an hour north of West Palm Beach.

Detectives seized computers and multiple devices from Dibble's home and all of those devices are being investigated, the MCSO said. The sheriff's office also said they are working closely with the school district and commended officials there for taking "immediate and appropriate action" regarding the janitor.

"It's a reprehensible crime," Jennifer DeShazo, public information director for the Martin County School District, told WPBF. "And being in the business of educating and safeguarding children, it's absolutely our worst nightmare."

In a lengthier statement provided to Law&Crime, Jensen Beach High School Principal Lori Vogel sought to calm parents' nerves.

"Tragically and appallingly, Mr. Dibble was found to be in possession of child pornography," the statement originally issued earlier this week reads. "Detectives seized multiple devices from his home and are continuing to investigate his crimes. The Sheriff's Office has worked diligently to keep our school and the Martin County School District informed throughout the day – at this time, detectives do not believe that the images found in Mr. Dibble's possession are of children associated with our school or the Martin County School District."

The sheriff's office echoed that assessment in their press release, saying the children depicted are "not locally affiliated."

"We're able to go through every device that he has, which we've done," Budensiek added in comments to WFPB. "So far, there's nothing that points back to hidden cameras or anything that depicts anyone at any of our Martin County schools."

Vogel went on to assure parents that the janitor was being held without bond and that he will be prohibited from entering any part of the high school if and when he makes bond on the charges.

"While saying that we are shocked and saddened by this reprehensible and disgusting conduct is an extreme understatement, we urge you to speak to with your child this evening about this arrest," the principal said. "Please report any suspicious or questionable behavior related to Mr. Dibble to the Martin County Sheriff's Office."

According to a first appearance order obtained by Law&Crime, Dibble is being held without bond until his first appearance in court. At that point, bond will be set at \$25,000 per count – which is \$2.5 million total. Dibble is currently being detained in the Martin County Jail.

The defendant was appointed a public defender on Tuesday; the name of his attorney is not currently on the public docket.

https://lawandcrime.com/crime/reprehensible-and-disgusting-florida-high-school-janitor-allegedly-found-with-child-pornography-of-victims-as-young-as-infants/

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State Police arrest Schenectady man in Child Pornography Investigation

Press Release

On November 22, 2023, State Police of Princetown, with the assistance of the Troop G Computer Crimes Unit and the Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce, arrested **Jordan A. Rai,** 24, of Schenectady, NY, for Promoting a Sexual Performance by a Child, a class "D" felony, and Possessing a Sexual Performance by a Child, a class "E" felony.

Rai is accused of promoting and possessing images consistent with child sexual exploitation. His arrest followed an investigation that stemmed from multiple cyber tips received by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Rai was transported to SP Princetown, where he was arrested and processed. He was issued an appearance ticket returnable to the Schenectady City Court on December 5, 2023, and released.

https://troopers.ny.gov/news/state-police-arrest-schenectady-man-child-pornography-investigation#:~:text=Rai%20is%20accused%20of%20promoting,he%20was%20arrested%20and%20processed

Passaic Man Arrested For Possession of Explicit Images of Minors

June 8, 2023 By: Yuritza Arroyo

Passaic County authorities announced the arrest of **Jorge Avila Velez**, 43, of Passaic, following an investigation by the Passaic County Sheriff's Office Internet Crime Against Children Task Force in conjunction with the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office Special Victims Unit.

According to officials, Mr. Avila Velez was arrested on June 6, 2023, by members of the Passaic County Sheriff's Office Internet Crime Against Children Task Force.

Officials say the arrest followed an investigation that identified Mr. Avila Velez as the individual allegedly responsible for using Google and WhatsApp to distribute, maintain on a file-sharing platform, and possess four images and 465 videos that depicted child sexual abuse material.

Mr. Avila Velez was charged with one count of Endangering the Welfare of Children for maintaining child sexual abuse materials in an online file-sharing program, a crime of the first degree; one count of Endangering the Welfare of Children for distributing child sexual abuse materials, a crime of the second degree; and one count of Endangering the Welfare of Children for possession of explicit images of minors.

According to authorities, the sentencing exposure for the listed first-degree offense is between ten to twenty years in New Jersey State Prison and includes a ten-year period of parole ineligibility.

Authorities say the sentencing exposure for the second-degree distribution offense is five to ten years in New Jersey State Prison and includes a five-year period of parole ineligibility.

The sentencing exposure for the second-degree possession offense is five to ten years in New Jersey State Prison and requires a mandatory sentence of imprisonment.

If convicted, Mr. Avila Velez would also be required to register pursuant to Megan's Law and is eligible to be sentenced to parole supervision for life.

According to authorities, Mr. Avila Velez was also charged with two counts of Obstruction of the Administration of Justice, for which the sentencing exposure is up to eighteen months in New Jersey State Prison.

Mr. Avila Velez was charged on a warrant complaint and is currently detained at the Passaic County Jail.

The State has filed a motion for pre-trial detention, and a Superior Court Judge will hear that motion on a date and time to be determined by the Court. https://www.rlsmedia.com/article/passaic-man-arrested-possession-explicit-images-minors

Newman resident, 36, arrested after child pornography investigation

BY CBS13 STAFF JUNE 27, 2023 / 7:59 AM / CBS SACRAMENTO

NEWMAN – A Newman resident has been arrested on suspicion of possessing child pornography.

Newsom police said they've been investigating a recent tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The tip led them to zero in on 36-year-old Newman resident **Jose "Johnny" Gudino.**

On Monday, police said Gudino was arrested and booked into the Stanislaus County Public Safety Center. He's facing charges of both possession of child pornography and possession of over 600 images with at least 10 being of a person under 12.

No other details about the investigation and arrest have been released. https://www.cbsnews.com/sacramento/news/newman-resident-36-arrested-after-child-pornography-investigation/

UPDATE: Austin man to spend more than 5 years in prison on child porn charges

By KAALTV

Updated: September 1, 2023 - 4:01 PM Published: April 20, 2023 - 6:12 PM

(ABC 6 News) – UPDATE: An Austin man was sentenced to 65 months, or about 5.42 years at the MN Correctional Facility in St. Cloud after pleading guilty to two counts of disseminating child pornography.

Jose Luise Rodriguez, 27, was also sentenced to 15 years' probation after his release.

An additional 15 charges of possession and dissemination of child pornography were dismissed at sentencing, as well as one charge of storing methamphetamine near children or vulnerable adults, and one charge of drug possession.

Rodriguez's co-defendant, Ana Vitoria Gravina, is scheduled to stand trial on seven charges of possession and dissemination of child pornography and one charge of storing methamphetamine near children or vulnerable adults in January of 2024.

(ABC 6 News) – One member of an Austin couple arrested on child pornography charges pleaded guilty to two counts of disseminating child porn in Mower County Court Thursday, May 4.

Jose Luis Rodriguez, 27, faced 17 charges of possession and dissemination of child pornography, one charge of storing meth near children or vulnerable adults, and one charge of drug possession.

Rodriguez pleaded guilty to the two counts in exchange for a relatively low sentence of about 100 months, or 8.3 years in prison, plus 15 years on probation, according to his plea agreement.

The remaining counts will be dismissed at sentencing Aug. 31, according to court documents.

Bail for Rodriguez was set at \$125,000 with conditions, or \$250,000 without.

Anna Victoria Gravina, 33, pleaded not guilty Thursday to 7 charges of possession and dissemination of child pornography, and one charge of storing meth near children or vulnerable adults.

She is scheduled to appear for a pre-trial hearing in Mower County Court Aug. 11, with a jury trial scheduled Aug. 21.

Bail for Gravina was set at \$75,000 with conditions, or \$150,000 without. https://www.kaaltv.com/news/austin-couple-arrested-on-combined-24-child-porn-charges-3-drug-charges/

Detectives Charge Edgewater Man With 22 Counts of Possessing Child Pornography

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Laura Williams, Office of

Public Affairs & Media Relations

An Edgewater man was arrested on 22 charges of possessing child pornography after a tip led to the discovery of several sexually explicit photos of children on his computer.

Josef Griffin, 22, (DOB 10/30/2000) turned himself in at the Volusia County Branch Jail on Monday. He was arrested on 22 counts of possession of a sexual performance by a child. He remains held at the jail on \$250,000 bail pending a first court appearance.

His arrest followed a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, which alerts local law enforcement to reports of exploitation and child pornographic material that have been shared online.

The tip led to sheriff's detectives executing a search warrant at Griffin's home, 291 Costa Rica, Edgewater. Detectives seized cell phones, computers, laptops, iPads and tablets for forensic examination and located several photos of sexual exploitation of girls and boys estimated to range from 4 to 11 years old.

The investigation indicates Griffin uploaded files containing suspected child pornography and sent the files to other users.

Due to the nature of the materials found, the Sheriff's Office is notifying the public of this case and is asking anyone who may have more information to contact the VSO Child Exploitation Unit at (386) 323-3574.

https://www.volusiasheriff.gov/news/volusia-county-sheriff/detectives-charge-edgewater-man-with-22-counts-of-possessing-child-pornography.stml

Pike County DA and task force arrest four men in child pornography crackdown

by FOX56 NEWSROOM Thu, June 15th 2023

PIKE COUNTY, Pa. (WOLF) — A partnership between The Pike County District Attorney's Office and the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force takes four individuals offline in child pornography arrests.

Four men have been charged with sexual abuse of children, which is the official crime defining child pornography offenses in Pennsylvania:

Logan Kelly, age 18, of Shohola has been charged with one count of sexual abuse of children-possession of child pornography; a felony of the 2nd degree.

Joseph P. Casella, Age 72, of Hawley has been charged with one count-sexual abuse of children-dissemination- photo/video of child sex acts; a felony of the second degree, twenty-nine counts-sexual abuse of children-possession of child pornography, and one count criminal use of communication facility; a felony of the third.

Aidan Collins, age 18, of Dingmans Ferry has been charged with nine countssexual abuse of children-possession of child pornography, and one countcriminal use of communication facility.

Joseph Coletto, age 78, of Greentown one count-sexual abuse of children-dissemination-photo/video of child sex acts, one count-sexual abuse of children-possession of child pornography, and one count-criminal use of communication facility.

Each investigation began with a cybertip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children to the Internet Crimes Against Children task force that a person had been interacting with apparent child sexual abuse material online. From there, the tip is provided to the local partner, the Pike County District Attorney's Office. Then detectives from the Pike County District Attorney's Office Criminal Investigation Division began to obtain subpoenas and search warrants to investigate the source of where the child pornography is being possessed and disseminated in Pike County. Then comes the final step of bringing a search warrant to the house where the person is to extract information from a variety of electronic devices, from computers to cell phones to other storage drives. Once this is complete an arrest can be made.

Tonkin noted that if the suspect has access to any minor children the children can be interviewed at Dickson House Children's Advocacy Center by trained forensic interviewers to determine if the child has been molested.

https://fox56.com/news/local/pike-county-da-and-task-force-arrest-four-men-in-child-pornography-crackdown

Sex offender facing child sex abuse offenses again

May 14, 2023 By Kevin Carroll

A Duryea man on parole for previous child sex abuse offenses was arrested on Friday after investigators discovered child sexual abuse material on his cell phone.

Joseph S. Dowd, 46, of Cremard Boulevard in Duryea, had the material on a phone that he had not reported to his parole officer, according to a criminal complaint filed against Dowd.

According to the complaint:

Investigators from the Luzerne County District Attorney's Office were alerted to a Cybertip received by a detective in Lackawanna County on May 9.

The tip contained an image depicting a minor female and a prepubescent female stored on a mobile phone, to which the detectives were able to access the phone records to identify the phone's owner.

The mobile number attached to the phone was subscribed to Dowd, who was previously known to detectives after they arrested him in 2016 on charges of possession and dissemination of child sexual abuse material.

The detectives learned that Dowd was out on parole, and living in Duryea. He is a lifetime registered sex offender under Megan's Law, and had a mobile phone number registered with the state police Megan's Law Unit that did not match the number that generated the CyberTip.

Dowd's parole officer confirmed that Dowd is on state parole, and that he lived with his parents in Duryea.

On Friday, investigators executed a search warrant on Dowd's home, where they encountered Dowd in the driveway.

Initially, he denied any knowledge of the phone number that generated the Cybertip, telling investigators that he only had the number registered with the state parole board.

While investigators were searching the home to try and find the mobile phone, Dowd told the authorities that he did have the second phone and handed it over to investigators.

According to the complaint, Dowd told police that he estimated there to be "20-25" images on the phone containing child sexual abuse material.

Investigators called the mobile number in question, and Dowd's phone received the call, according to investigators.

Dowd detailed the way in which he would obtain the images, and allegedly told investigators "I messed up, I can not get it out of my head and I need to admit myself to the hospital and get extensive treatment."

He was arraigned in front of Magisterial District Judge Donald L. Whittaker on Friday, and denied bail.

A preliminary hearing is scheduled for May 23 in Luzerne County Central Court. https://www.timesleader.com/news/1608697/sex-offender-facing-child-sex-abuse-offenses-again

Yukon man faces life, \$30k in fines in child porn case

By Yukon Progress May 25, 2023 By Conrad Dudderar Staff Writer

EL RENO – A Yukon man faces life in prison and fines totaling \$30,000 for allegedly having a large quantity of child pornography images on several electronic devices.

Joseph Anthony Elmenhorst, 39, was charged April 28 in Canadian County District Court with three counts of aggravated possession of child pornography.

Assistant District Attorney Rebecca Boyer alleges Elmenhorst had in his possession "100 or more separate materials, representations or depictions in any form or medium" of child pornography on each of three devices – an Apple iPhone, computer hard drive and thumb drive.

The obscene material is described as "minor(s) portrayed, depicted or represented as engaging" in sexual activity, according to the charging document.

Each felony count is punishable by not more than life in prison and a maximum \$10,000 fine.

Elmenhorst was booked at 5:21 p.m. April 21 into the Canadian County Jail after his arrest in an undercover investigation by the Canadian County Sheriff's Office.

Investigators had served a search warrant that morning at Elmenhorst's home on Kingsgate Road in Yukon.

The defendant provided Sgt. Brian Dawson with passcodes to his cell phone and desktop computer, according to a probable cause affidavit.

"When asked specifically about inappropriate images of children, Elmenhorst stated 'you're going to find them anyway' and that they would be on both his desktop PC and cell phone," Dawson wrote in his affidavit.

"Well over 100 images of child pornography" were found inside a "hidden" folder in the photos section of the Elemenhorst's iPhone, the court document indicates.

Sheriff's investigators allegedly located illegal marijuana, methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia during a search of Elmenhorst's room at the house.

A preliminary hearing conference is set May 17 before Canadian County Special Judge David H. Halley.

https://yukonprogressnews.com/2023/05/25/yukon-man-faces-life-30k-in-fines-in-child-porn-case/

Man Accused of Possessing & Disseminating Child Porn in Grundy Co.

WCSJ Feb 10, 2023

Grundy County Sheriff Ken Briley announced the arrest of **Joseph Mitchell Hoggard**, 30 of Crest Hill, IL for Aggravated Possession of Child Pornography, a class X Felony, Possession of Child Pornography, a Class 1 Felony, Dissemination of Child Pornography, a Class 1 Felony and failing to Register as a Sex Offender, a Class 4 Felony. The Grundy County Sheriff's Office received a report of Possession of possible child pornography from the Illinois Attorney General's Office in December of 2022.

The Illinois Attorney's General's Office is the clearinghouse for the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) in Illinois. The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) notified the Illinois AG's Office of the offense. Grundy County Sheriff's Office detectives conducted a lengthy investigation into the report. They executed search warrants on the internet accounts of Joseph Hoggard, a registered sex offender, who at the time lived on Carper Rd, in Grundy County.

Through the investigation detectives uncovered hundreds of images of known child pornography. During the investigation, Hoggard moved out of the home on Carper Rd., and registered as homeless on January 19th, 2023. Sheriff's Investigators monitored Hoggard's movements and determined he was living in and apartment in the 1700 block of Arbor Ln., Crest Hill, Illinois, in violation of his sex offender registration status as homeless. In 2013 Hoggard, who was living in Tennessee at the time, was charged and arrested in Tennessee for Especially Aggravated Exploitation of a Minor and Sexual Exploitation of a Minor. He was found guilty and was incarcerated in the Tennessee Department of Corrections until his release in February of 2022.

Hoggard served 100% of his sentence. After his release from prison Hoggard moved to Grundy County Illinois and registered as a sex offender with the Sheriff's Office as required. Sheriff's Department Detectives obtained a Search Warrant for the apartment Hoggard was living in and conducted that search on February 9th. During the search sheriff's deputies and investigators located and seized evidence from devices containing known and suspected child pornography. Hoggard was taken into custody and transported to the Grundy County Jail to await a bond hearing in Grundy County Circuit Court.

The Sheriff's Department would like to thank the Grundy County Pro Active Unit, Illinois Attorney General's Office, The Crest Hill Police Department, the Will County Sheriff's Department High Tech Crimes Unit, and the Grundy County State's Attorney's Office for their assistance.

https://www.wspynews.com/news/wcsjnews/man-accused-of-possessing-disseminating-child-porn-in-grundy-co/article_af3c6269-725e-5443-9fda-eae1f5249547.html

Man accused of possession of child pornography

Clint Wolf Sep 13, 2023 Updated Sep 13, 2023

TOWN OF TURTLE — Town of Turtle man is being accused of five counts of possession of child pornography, according to a news release from the Rock County Sheriff's Office.

Joseph H. Hulburt, 71, was taken into custody and his first court appearance is set for 3 p.m. today, Thursday, Sept. 14.

On Wednesday, Sept. 13, members of the Rock County Sheriff's Office SWAT, Detective Bureau and Wisconsin Department of Justice DCI Digital Evidence Unit executed a search warrant in the 2200 block of Easy Street in Turtle Township for evidence in violation of Wisconsin State Statute Chapter 948, Crimes Against Children.

Subsequent investigation resulted in the arrest of Hulburt and he is being held in the Rock County Jail.

https://www.beloitdailynews.com/news/crime/man-accused-of-possession-of-child-pornography/article_d261a530-5290-11ee-8651-bb8a8f4806c9.html

Mint Hill man arrested in connection with child pornography case

Joseph lannarone was taken into custody on a parole violation and is facing two charges of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

By WBTV Web Staff Published: Aug. 21, 2023 at 5:09 PM EDT

MINT HILL, N.C. (WBTV) - A Mint Hill man was arrested Monday morning in connection with a child pornography case, according to the Mint Hill Police Department.

After a lengthy investigation of possession and/or distribution of child pornography, police said a task force executed a search warrant at a home on Central Drive in Mint Hill Monday morning.

The task force consisted of officers from the Mint Hill Police Department, the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation, Homeland Security Investigations and Mecklenburg County Probation, according to a press release.

As a result of the search warrant, **Joseph lannarone**, 39, was taken into custody on a parole violation and is facing two charges of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor. Police said investigators were also able to recover multiple pieces of evidence that will help in identifying any additional charges.

Police said they encourage parents to speak with their children about their internet use and measures to safeguard against online predators.

Some online resources police encourage parents to use are the Family Online Safety Institute and the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children. https://www.wbtv.com/2023/08/21/mint-hill-man-arrested-connection-with-child-pornography-case/

Two Men Arrested on Charges of Possessing Video Containing Newborn and Toddler Pornography

Tom Lemmons, November 28, 2023 | Last updated Dec 01, 2023 1:12pm

SPRING HILL – Two men are behind bars after they were arrested on unrelated possession of child pornography charges on the same day. Warning, details of the allegations are extremely graphic and disturbing.

According to officials, detectives made contact with 32-year-old **Joseph Alexander Jones** on November 9th after receiving several tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding child pornography. Detectives interviewed Jones at this residence located at 4284 Everette Ave, where he admitted to using his Discord account, under username "fartqueen#8259" and his email, "buttcheeksprincess@gmail.com" to search for pornography. Jones admitted to downloading 14 files that contained video and images of children engaging in sexual conduct, but says he wasn't initially searching for child porn; instead, Jones claims he is into "Scat Genre," which relates to someone who is aroused by fecal matter.

Most of the videos discovered by detectives contained toddlers as young as 1-year-old being vaginally penetrated by an adult male. Others show an adult male masturbating on toddler aged children. Additional videos were discovered that showed young children masturbating in what appears to be self-produced video with a cellphone.

Jones was arrested and booked into the Hernando County Jail on a \$70,000 bond, which he was able to post on November 14th. Two days later, on November 16th, Jones was arrested again after detectives discovered over a hundred new images which was related to the original case.

During a first appearance hearing on November 17th, Judge Barbera-Joe Bell increased his bond to \$1 million dollars and will require him to wear a GPS device if released. Jones asked Judge Bell if he could get a bond reduction, but she declined.

On the same day, November 16th, 22-year-old Bishop Alexander Begeny was confronted by detectives while working as a server at Bonefish Grill. During an interview, investigators explained that they received tips from NCMEC regarding child pornography that was downloaded using his Snapchat, Twitter, and

Telegram accounts. Begeny admitted that he downloaded numerous files through Telegram chatrooms, where he discovered children from "childbirth to eighteen" engaged in sexual activity.

Begeny says when he tried to send one of the images to a friend, Snapchat deleted his account.

Begeny was taken into custody and charged with Possession of Child Pornography and Sexual Performance by a Child. Jones remains behind bars, held on a \$20,000 bond.

https://www.rnews.news/story/2023/11/28/news/two-men-arrested-on-charges-of-possessing-video-containing-newborn-and-toddler-pornography/524.html

Posted on: August 29, 2023

Multiple Felony Charges Following SVU Investigation

NEWS RELEASE

Date/Time of Offense: Between July 2023 and August 2023

Offense(s)/Charge(s): Five Counts of Felony Indecent Liberties with a Child Two Counts of Felony Statutory Sex Offense with a Child

Location of Incident: Southern Iredell County

Suspect(s): Joseph Ryan Perry, 37 Years Old 143 Ginger Lane Mooresville, North Carolina 28115

Sheriff Darren Campbell stated: On August 18, 2023, a report was filed with the Iredell County Sheriff's Office Special Victims Unit and assigned to Detective C. James regarding a juvenile having been sexually assaulted.

Based on information gathered during the investigation, felony warrants for arrest were obtained for **Joseph Ryan Perry**. Perry was charged with Five Counts of Felony Indecent Liberties with a Child and Two Counts of Felony Statutory Sex Offense against a Child.

On Friday, August 25, 2023, Perry was arrested and transported to the Iredell County Detention Center where he was brought before Magistrate Chambers and received a \$150,000.00 dollar secured bond. This investigation is ongoing and more charges may follow.

 $https://www.iredellsheriff.com/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=1437\#: \sim: text=Multiple%20Felony%20Charges%20Following%20SVU%20Investigation&text=Based%20on%20information%20gathered%20during, Sex%20Offense%20against%20a%20Child$

CoCollege Student Charged with Dissemination/Possession of Child Pornography

March 16, 2023

DuPage County State's Attorney Robert Berlin and Lisle Chief of Police Kevin Licko announced today that a student at Benedictine University has been charged with possession and dissemination of child pornography. On March 15, 2023, DuPage County Circuit Court Judge Joshua Dieden issued a \$100,000 with 10% to apply arrest warrant for **Joseph Wilke**, 20 (d.o.b. 5/13/2002) of the 5600 block of College Road, Lisle. Later that day, Wilke turned himself in to authorities, posted the necessary 10%, or \$10,000, and was released from custody. He is charged with four counts of Dissemination of Child Pornography (Class X Felony) and four counts of Possession of Child Pornography (Class 2 Felony).

Through the course of their continuing efforts into child pornography, investigators from the Lisle Police Department received information regarding an IP address possibly engaging in child pornography. Based upon this information and through the course of their investigation, it is alleged that in October 2022, Wilke was in possession of and disseminated videos depicting child pornography.

"As I have said many times in the past, child pornography is not a victimless crime," Berlin said. "Every time one of these images is downloaded or shared on the Internet, child pornography claims another young, innocent victim. To protect these most vulnerable, my office stands ready to vigorously prosecute any allegations of child pornography. I would like to stress that these charges are in no way connected to Benedictine University. Authorities at the University have been extremely cooperative throughout this entire case and for that I thank them. I commend the Lisle Police Department for their efforts not only on this case, but for their ongoing commitment to protecting our children from those who would possess these vile images, as alleged in this case. I also thank Assistant State's Attorney Michael Pingaj for his work in securing these charges against Mr. Wilke."

"The Lisle Police Department will relentlessly pursue anyone engaged in creating, possessing, or distributing child pornography, especially in an educational setting," said Police Chief Kevin Licko. "I want to acknowledge our detectives for doing a great job in piecing this investigation together and thank

DuPage County State's Attorney Bob Berlin's Office for their support of this investigation to hold Mr. Wilke accountable."

Members of the public are reminded that this complaint contains only charges and is not proof of the defendant's guilt. A defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial in which it is the government's burden to prove his or her guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

https://www.dupagecounty.gov/news_detail_T2_R759.php

Pensacola police arrest 27-year-old on child pornography charges

Benjamin Johnson Pensacola News Journal Published 5:18 p.m. CT Aug. 22,2023

The Pensacola Police Department arrested a 27-year-old man Tuesday for child pornography possession after conducting a search at his Northpointe Drive home.

PPD spokesperson Officer Mike Wood told the News Journal that officers arrested **Joseph Eugene Stewart Jr.** after a search at 7600 block of Northpointe Drive found he allegedly possessed child sex abuse material.

Wood said Stewart was arrested for second-degree felony possession of 10 or more child porn images, third-degree felony electronically transmitting child pornography and third-degree felony using a two-way communication device to facilitate a felony.

Wood said the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force assisted with the investigation.

Stewart is held in the Escambia County Jail on \$500,000 bond. https://www.pnj.com/story/news/crime/2023/08/22/pensacola-florida-man-joseph-stewart-jr-arrested-in-child-porn-case/70654142007/

Pickaway County Man Found Guilty of 25 Counts Child Porn Distribution

By Jeremy Newman 11/15/2023

Pickaway County – A local well-known man has been found guilty of over two dozen charges of child porn

According to Sheriff Matthew O. Hafey on July 27, 2023, the Pickaway County Sheriff's Office and Franklin County Sheriff's Office Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force executed two search warrants and a arrest warrant in Pickaway County.

The first search warrant executed was at 65 Bullit Autosports 219 S. Western Avenue Circleville, Ohio. This is also where **Joshua C. Bethel** 41 years old from Circleville, Ohio was arrested on an arrest warrant. The second search warrant was executed at 9188 Tarlton Road Circleville, Ohio. Evidence was seized from the search warrants.

Joshua C. Bethel faced 25 charges of Pandering Obscenity Involving a Minor in Pickaway County Court this week where he pleaded guilty. A PSI (Presentencing Investigation) is being conducted at this time, and he will be sentenced at a later date. The judge did hold Bethel on a No Bond, so he will remain in jail until sentencing.

https://www.sciotopost.com/pickaway-county-man-found-guilty-of-25-counts-child-porn-distribution/#:~:text=the%20search%20warrants.-,Joshua%20C.,sentenced%20at%20a%20later%20date

Former Fulton High School Coach Arrested on Federal Charges for Receiving, Transporting, and Possessing Child Pornography

Tuesday, May 2, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of New York

SYRACUSE, NEW YORK – **Joshua Demars**, age 37, of Fulton, New York, was arrested today on a federal complaint charging him with receiving, transporting, and possessing child pornography.

The announcement was made by United States Attorney Carla B. Freedman and Matthew Scarpino, Special Agent in Charge of the Buffalo Field Office of Homeland Security Investigations.

The complaint alleges that, on March 19, 2023, the New York State Police ("NYSP") and Homeland Security Investigations ("HSI") executed a search warrant at Demars' residence in Fulton, New York. The search warrant was obtained, in part, because a CyberTipline Report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children ("NCMEC") indicated that Demars had uploaded child pornography to Dropbox. At the time of the search warrant execution, Demars worked as a teaching assistant and coach in the Fulton City School District.

As outlined in the criminal complaint, during the search of Demars' residence, law enforcement located several electronic devices that contained hundreds of images and videos depicting child pornography. On those devices, law enforcement found evidence that Demars had indeed transported a video of a 5-7 year old female being sexually abused by an adult male to his Dropbox account, and dozens of recordings of Demars receiving live videos of children who were engaging in sexually explicit conduct. The charges in the complaint are merely accusations. The defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

Demars appeared before United States Magistrate Judge Andrew T. Baxter today and was ordered detained pending a detention hearing scheduled for May 5, 2023. If convicted, Demars faces at least 5 years and up to 20 years in prison, a term of supervised release of up to life, and a fine of up to \$250,000, and will be required to register as a sex offender after his release from prison. A

defendant's sentence is imposed by a judge based on the particular statute the defendant is charged with violating, the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines, and other factors.

HSI and NYSP are investigating the case, and it is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorneys Paul Tuck and Jessica Carbone as part of Project Safe Childhood. Launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice, Project Safe Childhood is led by United States Attorney's Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS). Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit https://www.justice.gov/psc.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-ndny/pr/former-fulton-high-school-coach-arrested-federal-charges-receiving-transporting-and

Court docs: Cincinnati man charged after possessing child pornography

Updated: 7:58 AM EST Feb 28, 2023

WLWT Digital Staff

CINCINNATI —

A Cincinnati man has been arrested and charged on multiple sex charges after officials found he was in possession of child pornography, according to court documents.

Documents allege a man, **Joshua Flick**, 34, was in possession of multiple child pornography videos that showed sexual activity by children as old as 14 and as young as 6.

Flick is facing two charges of pandering sexually oriented material involving a minor or impaired person.

https://www.wlwt.com/article/cincinnati-child-porn-possession-pandering-sexual-material-joshua-flick/43117106#

Pennsylvania Attorney General agent facing child pornography charges

By Tom Dougherty November 13, 2023 / 11:27 AM EST / CBS Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA (CBS) -- An agent with the Pennsylvania Attorney General in Allentown is charged with possessing child pornography.

Joshua Steven Gonzalez, of South Whitehall Township, was charged with possession of child pornography, Lehigh County District Attorney Jim Martin said in a news release Monday.

According to the Lehigh County DA's office, the investigation dates back to 2022.

The DA's office said on Oct. 28, 2022, and April 12, 2023, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children "received a tip that someone uploaded child pornography videos."

Investigators claim the videos were downloaded from Gonzalez's computer after they executed a court order.

Gonzalez will be arraigned on Monday at the Lehigh County Central Booking Center, Martin said.

https://www.cbsnews.com/philadelphia/news/pennsylvania-attorney-general-agent-child-pornography/

Flushing man sentenced on child porn charges for second time

by Ed DiOrio Tue, April 11th 2023

Joshua Green, 42, of Flushing, was sentenced in federal court Tuesday to 180 months in prison for distributing and receiving child pornography.

Green was also sentenced to serve 20 years in a prison facility that provides sexual offender treatments.

In 2021, Green admitted to engaging in conversations and sending graphic images with an undercover FBI agent posing as a 12-year-old girl.

Further investigation found Green had distributed child sexual abuse material in January and February last year. Green pleaded guilty to similar charges back in 2014 through the Belmont County Common Pleas Court.

https://wtov9.com/news/local/flushing-man-sentenced-on-child-porn-charges-for-second-time

ARDOT employee charged with possession of child pornography

by Bradly Gill | June 16, 2023

An Arkansas Department Of Transportation employee has been arrested for computer exploitation of a child, possession of child pornography and computer child pornography.

Joshua Hooks, 37, of Camden is currently housed in the Ouachita County Detention Center on a \$250,000 bond.

According to an affidavit from the Ouachita County Sheriff's Department, on or about March 7, OCSD obtained a copy of the National Center For Missing and Exploited Children cyber tip line report filed by Dropbox inc.

The report stated that a Dropbox user "Joshua Hooks" uploaded files depicting child pornography in December of 2022.

On April 10, 2023, investigators with OSCO reviewed the drop box folder and found a subfolder labeled "CP" and found two pictures and ten video files of purported child pornography.

The affidavit states the IP addresses returned to Hook's residence and another IP address belonged to ARDOT, and investigators confirmed that Hooks was an employee.

https://www.camdenarknews.com/news/2023/jun/16/ardot-employee-charged-with-possession-of-child/

MAN ARRESTED FOR MULTIPLE SEX CRIMES

10/30/2023

On Thursday, October 26, 2023, Investigators with the Canadian County Sheriff's Office arrested **Joshua Paul Wayne Mackey**, 46 of Mustang, on multiple charges, including Aggravated Possession of Child Pornography. Investigators received a Cyber-Tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) and Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation regarding a residence in Mustang distributing child pornography over social media. A court order for the suspect's IP address revealed the residence belonging to Mackey.

Investigators applied for and obtained a search warrant for Mackey's residence to locate the child sexual abuse material (CSAM) that was reported by NCMEC. During the execution of the search warrant multiple electronic devices were located and examined on scene. A flash drive belonging to Mackey was examined and found to have over 450 media files of CSAM. The media examined possessed files with minor children approximately 5 to 14 years of age engaging in sexual acts with other children, adults, and of children posing nude.

A forensic examination was conducted at the scene, and investigators determined Mackey had attempted to erase and clean up the devices that he used to download CSAM. Investigators believed Mackey did this when the social media site terminated his account for violating "terms of use." However, it is common for predators to save the CSAM to other locations because of their addiction to CSAM. A thumb drive was discovered in Mackey's bedroom possessing what is believed to be the files and downloads he had deleted and cleared from his computer.

The investigation also determined Mackey tried to deploy various countermeasures to prevent detection. The steps Mackey used to avoid detection included secure folders with separate passwords, virtual private networks to mask his IP address, and resetting devices to remove data. Investigators were able to recover evidence from the devices that included an email address Mackey used to register with the social media site to download CSAM and various CSAM media files.

"I'm extremely thankful for the work of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and the work they do in providing law enforcement with cyber-tips. In this case, we were able to use their information and make Mackey's arrest," said Chris West, Canadian County Sheriff.

Mackey was taken into custody at his residence for Aggravated Possession of Child Pornography and he was transported to the Canadian County Detention Center. Since Mackey's arrest, investigators have determined two other devices belonging to Macky contain CSAM. Additional charges, including an additional count of Aggravated Possession of Child Pornography and Possession of Child Pornography, will be presented to the Canadian County District Attorney's Office. Mackey remains in custody with a bond of two hundred thousand dollars.

 $https://www.ccsheriff.net/post.php?ID=128\#: \sim : text=On\%20 Thursday\%2C\%20October\%2026\%2C\%202023, Aggravated\%20Possession\%20of\%20Child\%20Pornography$

Police: Man Jailed in Schuyler Co. for Sharing Child Sex Abuse Photos Online

April 28, 2023 by Lucas Day

A Tioga County man sits in Schuyler County Jail after being arrested on six felony counts following an investigation by State Police.

The investigation into 39-year-old **Joshua Maulucci** began after the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received information about child sexual abuse material being shared on the Internet. With the help of the State Police Computer Crime Units, the 39-year-old Spencer man was charged with three counts of promoting a sexual performance of a child and three counts of possessing a sexual performance of a child.

Maulucci was brought to Schuyler County Jail to await arraignment. https://www.fingerlakesdailynews.com/police-blotter/police-man-jailed-in-schuyler-co-for-sharing-child-sex-abuse-photos-online

Amherst man arrested for sex crimes against children

28 March 2023 NEW YORK STATE POLICE Major Eugene J. Staniszewski Troop A Commander

PRESS RELEASE

On March 21, 2023, the Bureau of Criminal Investigation stationed at SP Clarence arrested **Joshua R. McGreevy**, 19 of Amherst, NY for Possessing a Sexual Performance by a Child (E Felony).

The Bureau of Criminal Investigation out of SP Clarence with the assistance from the Troop A Computer Crimes Unit, conducted an Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) investigation in the town of Amherst. Investigation determined McGreevy possessed child pornography.

McGreevy was issued an appearance ticket returnable to the town of Amherst Court later March 2023.

The mission of the ICAC Task Force is to identify individuals online who are attempting to lure children to meet for sex or those disseminating child sexual abuse material. The Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program (ICAC program) helps state and local law enforcement agencies develop an effective response to technology-facilitated child sexual exploitation and Internet crimes against children.

https://www.nyspnews.com/amherst-man-arrested-for-sex-crimes-against-children-1.htm

Opelika man arrested on child pornography charges

Updated: Apr. 19, 2017

LEE COUNTY, AL (WSFA) - An Opelika man was arrested and charged Monday after investigators traced a cell phone containing child pornography back to him, according to the Lee County Sheriff's Office.

Deputies were alerted to the situation when a citizen reported that they had found the phone at their home in Opelika and that it contained child pornography. Lee County investigators found evidence that connected the phone directly to **Joshua Ryan Miller**, 33. A warrant was issued and Miller was charged with three counts of production of obscene matter containing visual depictions of a person under 17 years of age.

A male child shown in the videos on the phone has been identified as a member of Miller's family. He is the only child depicted in the videos collected so far in the case.

Authorities report that it appears Miller recorded the images at his home. A search warrant executed at Miller's home revealed electronic devices that require forensic examination. Additional charges may be filed if more evidence is found.

Miller is currently being held in the Lee County Detention Facility on a \$76,000 bond.

https://www.wsfa.com/story/35191301/opelika-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/

Town of Rose man arrested for Child Pornography

by WayneTimes.com October 28, 2023

Following a detailed investigation by State Police Investigators out of Wolcott, **Joshua J. Mourey**, age 42, of York Settlement Road in the Town of Rose was arrested on Thursday (10/26) for Felony Possession and Promotion of Child Pornography: Children Under the Age of 17.

The investigation began after the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children tipped off State Police. That led to a search warrant in June of 2022, where numerous images were found on Mourey's electronic devices.

Mourey was taken to the Wayne County Jail for CAP Court arraignment and released. The case will be presented to a Wayne County Grand Jury for further action.

https://waynetimes.com/news/town-of-rose-man-arrested-for-child-pornography/#:~:text=Following%20a%20detailed%20investigation%20by,Under%20the%20Age%20of%2017

Maryland State Police Arrest Man On Child Pornography Charges In Prince George's County

October 27, 2022

(BOWIE, MD) – Troopers arrested a Prince George's County man this morning after a Maryland State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Investigation developed evidence of distribution and possession of child pornography.

The suspect is identified as **Joshua Ramsey**, 25, of Bowie, Maryland. Ramsey is charged with two counts of possession with the intent to distribute child pornography and three counts of possession of child pornography. He was transported to the Prince George's County Detention Center, where he is being held pending an initial appearance in front of a District Court Commissioner.

Beginning in July 2022, the Maryland State Police Computer Crimes Unit initiated an investigation into the distribution and possession of child pornography online. Today, troopers, assisted by Homeland Security Investigations and the Prince George's County Police Department, served a search warrant at the identified residence of the suspect. A preliminary forensic review of the suspect's electronic devices revealed multiple child pornography files. Ramsey was arrested at the scene.

The Maryland State Police Computer Crimes Unit coordinates the Maryland Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. This is a combined law enforcement effort involving police departments across Maryland that is made possible in part due to grant funds provided by the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth and Victim Services and by a federal grant from the U.S. Department of Justice. Task force investigators focus on identifying those involved in child pornography via the Internet and other related crimes that victimize children.

The investigation continues ...

https://news.maryland.gov/msp/2022/10/27/maryland-state-police-arrest-man-on-child-pornography-charges-in-prince-georges-county-3/

Police arrest Morrison teacher for possession of child pornography

Joshua Robbins, 49, was charged Thursday with three counts of possession of child pornography.

Author: Jennifer Somers

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STERLING, III. — A Morrison High School teacher was arrested Thursday, April 21 for possession of child pornography, according to Illinois State Police.

History teacher and varsity baseball coach **Joshua Robbins**, 49, of Sterling, was charged with three counts of possession of child pornography following an investigation by the State Police Divison of Criminal Investigation.

Through investigation and a warranted search of Robbins' home, DCI investigators collected evidence supporting his arrest. Police said Robbins was being held at the Whiteside County Jail on a \$100,000 bond.

Law enforcement notified the school district of Robbins' arrest Thursday, and the district placed him on administrative leave. Parents were notified of the incident via email Friday morning, April 22, Morrison Community Unit School District Superintendent Scott Vance said.

As of Friday afternoon, Robbins is still listed on the high school's staff directory.

According to the email sent to parents, information about the investigation that was provided to the district does not relate to any current or former Morrison students or events occurring at school or school-related events.

The district will continue to work with law enforcement during the investigation and monitor any developments, Vance said in the email to parents.

The police investigation remained ongoing as of Friday, police said. https://www.wqad.com/article/news/crime/sterling-man-child-pornography-arrest-illinois-morrison-teacher/526-8302d011-2aff-41b6-809f-61ece54d5c07

MT. VERNON MAN AGAIN ARRESTED ON CHILD PORN CHARGES

May 12, 2023

JEFFERSON COUNTY — Bond has been set at \$300,000 for a 34-year-old Mt. Vernon man arrested Thursday on child pornography charges.

Joshua Sandweg is facing multiple charges of Class X felony reproduction of child pornography depicting a victim under the age of 13, and Class 3 felony unauthorized taping of a victim under the age of 18.

Sadweg was originally arrested in March after a member of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force received a cyber tip of suspected child porn activity in the Jefferson County area.

Search warrants were issued for IP addresses and related social media information.

Deputies served a search warrant on March 20 at a home in the 500 block of South 26th Street in Mt. Vernon. They gathered evidence that was taken to the sheriff's office for examination.

As a result, deputies arrested Sandweg who was the primary resident at the home. He was taken to the Jefferson County Jail but was later released as law enforcement continued to investigate the case.

Sheriff's deputies then arrested Sandweg late Thursday morning and returned him to the Jefferson County Jail. It's expected he'll be arraigned on the charges sometime today.

https://www.wmix94.com/2023/05/12/mt-vernon-man-again-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/

Huntington man arrested after child porn found on multiple devices

By KTRE Digital Media Staff Published: Jul. 26, 2023 at 12:44 PM EDT

ANGELINA COUNTY, Texas (KTRE) - A Huntington man was arrested Friday after child pornography was allegedly found on his devices.

Joshua David Shepherd, 46, was arrested by Texas DPS after they reportedly received a tip from National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding child sexual abuse material. According to a DPS press release, further investigation revealed multiple images on electronic devices depicting child sexual abuse.

After collecting evidence, DPS Criminal Investigations Division Agents obtained multiple warrants for the suspect, and he was arrested on eight charges of possession of child pornography.

Shepherd is being held in the Angelina County Jail on bonds totaling \$200,000. https://www.ktre.com/2023/07/26/huntington-man-arrested-after-child-porn-found-multiple-devices/

Man arrested on over 100 counts of possessing child pornography

By asmith June 26, 2023 7:45 am

BELLINGHAM, Wash. – A man has been arrested after allegedly possessing and distributing sexually explicit content involving children.

Bellingham Police Lt. Claudia Murphy said that the investigation into the suspect began last November after they received tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Investigators found that over 1,500 images were connected to the suspect's phone number, and he had shared at least one image with another person.

The suspect, 30-year-old **Joshua Wilson**, was taken into custody Thursday, June 22nd, on over 100 counts of possessing child pornography.

https://kgmi.com/news/007700-sponsors-gather-enough-signatures-for-minimum-wage-increase-in-bellingham/

Feds: Pharr man received, distributed 100 videos of child porn

by: Steven Masso

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PHARR, Texas (ValleyCentral) — A Pharr man was arrested after allegedly receiving or distributing 100 videos of child pornography, documents revealed.

Juan Enrique Ochoa-Ibarra was arrested on charges receiving/distributing child pornography, a criminal complaint obtained by ValleyCentral stated.

On April 25,the Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) led RGV Child Exploitation Investigation Task Force was contacted by the Texas Attorney General's Office with a referral. It was regarding an "illicit chat that alluded to one of the members of the chat committing sexual acts with their minor son," the complaint stated.

Authorities identified Ochoa-Ibarra as a suspect, and encountered him that day at his place of employment. He gave HSI consent to search his two cellphones, where investigators located 100 videos of prepubescent children engaged in sex acts with adults and other children, the document revealed.

While being interviewed, Ochoa-Ibarra admitted to receiving and distributing the child porn on his devices from March 8 through April 4.

"Ochoa-Ibarra stated that he received and/or distributed approximately 100 videos of [child sexual abuse material]."

Ochoa-Ibarra has a detention hearing scheduled for Friday. https://www.valleycentral.com/news/local-news/feds-pharr-man-received-distributed-100-videos-of-child-porn/

Hung Jury in Pullman Case of 33-Year-Old Man From Mexico Accused of Child Molestation

Evan Ellis, Pullman Radio Dec 20, 2023 Updated Dec 20, 2023

COLFAX - The trial of a 33-year-old man from Mexico accused of molesting a boy in Pullman ended this morning with a hung jury.

Juan Trejo Perez stood trial on felony 3rd degree child molestation in Whitman County Superior Court in Colfax. The trial began on Monday and the jury began deliberations on Tuesday afternoon.

Pullman Police arrested Trejo Perez in October after receiving a report of the alleged molestation from Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse. Trejo Perez was accused of molesting a 16-year-old boy. The boy told police that Trejo Perez had been living at this home for a few weeks. Officers quickly learned that Trejo Perez was waiting for a flight to Mexico at the Pullman-Moscow Regional Airport. Police found him at the airport and took Trejo Perez into custody. According to court documents Trejo Perez's wife and children live in Mexico. A scheduling conference in the case has now been set for Friday morning. Trejo Perez remains listed as being in custody in the Whitman County Sheriff's Office Jail in Colfax on 50,000 dollars bond.

https://www.bigcountrynewsconnection.com/local/hung-jury-in-pullman-case-of-33-year-old-man-from-mexico-accused-of-child/article_6552621e-9f7e-11ee-811d-e7870947b979.html

Newnan man arrested for multiple internet sex crimes involving children

By Doug Evans Published August 28, 2023 Coweta County FOX 5 Atlanta

NEWNAN, Ga. - Investigators working in the Coweta County Internet Crimes Against Children Unit received a cyber tip from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation about possible child sexual abuse materials.

They said that tip led to the arrest of **Juan Hall Vasquez**, a 23-year-old Newnan man.

Deputies said they discovered Vasquez had 46 videos of children engaged in sex acts.

"They were able to track down the IP address, the address and the offender in this case and take out warrants on him," said Sgt. Toby Nix from the Coweta County Sheriff's Office. "He was pretty quickly arrested."

Investigators say after obtaining arrest warrants for 12 counts of felony child exploitation, authorities captured Vasquez when deputies were called to an unrelated event in which Vasquez was involved.

After learning he had active warrants involving child pornography, deputies transported him to the Coweta County Jail.

A judge denied bond in first court appearance.

Investigators say they now have search warrants for all of his computer and mobile devices. Depending on what they find, more charges are possible. https://www.fox5atlanta.com/news/coweta-county-newnan-man-child-sexual-abuse

U of I police arrest man through Google tip

by Marlena Lang Sat, March 25th, 2023, 12:08 AM EDT

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (WCCU) — University of Illinois (U of I) police arrested a man in Champaign who is accused of possessing child porn.

Juntian Tong, 32, was arrested on Thursday.

Officers say they received a tip back in January that Tong had explicit videos of children stored in a cloud account. Investigators said they found over 50 videos on the account.

The tip that Tong had explicit videos of children came from Google, which prompted the U of I police investigation.

According to University police, Google alerted the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that they detected two videos that were being stored on a cloud account with digital signatures that matched known child sexual assault material. The information was then passed down to law enforcement through the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) task force, which has branches in most U.S. states.

Two U of I detectives are a part of the task force who investigated the digital evidence and received a search warrant for Tong's online accounts. U of I police say, unfortunately, these crimes are common across the country, but they are appreciative of Big Tech companies' help.

"But it's good that you know the Big Tech companies like Google, a lot of social media companies also do the same thing, where they will detect this sort of material when it comes across their servers and let law enforcement know, and that's really what we want them to be doing," said Patrick Wade, senior director of strategic communications for U of I police.

The U of I police say they have a few cases like this per year due to the partnership with ICAC, including a case involving the social media app Snapchat a few months ago.

https://khqa.com/news/local/u-of-i-police-arrest-man-through-google-tip

Sheriff's Office: Online relationship with 12-year-old lands Brooksville man in jail

Tuesday, October 10, 2023 Summary by Ground News

Police received information in September regarding 19-year-old **Justin Barnes**, who lived on Rockbay Road in Brooksville. The victim admitted to communicating and sharing nude photos and videos with Barnes, and to discussing plans to meet in the future. Detectives obtained search warrants for Barnes' cellphone and found 99 images and two videos.

https://ground.news/article/sheriffs-office-online-relationship-with-12-year-old-lands-brooksville-man-in-jail

Cyber Crimes Task Force investigation leads to arrest of Jefferson City man

by Nicolas Fuchs Thu, November 9th 2023

Cole County prosecutors charged a Jefferson City man accused of possessing and promoting child sexual abuse materials following an investigation.

According to court documents, the Boone County Sheriff's Officer Cyber Crimes Task Force got a cyber tip on July 5, 2023, from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC).

NCMEC got a complaint from Snapchat on May 28, 2023, that a user had uploaded a video showing child sexual abuse to their servers.

Investigators viewed the video and confirmed it was child sexual abuse.

Snapchat sent records of the username and IP address of where the video came from.

Investigators said on November 2, they got a court order and confirmed the user account and IP address belonged to **Justin Loafman**, 26, of Jefferson City.

On November 8, investigators served a search warrant at Loafman's home and arrested him.

They said Loafman admitted to owning the Snapchat account and to sending child sexual abuse material to multiple Snapchat users.

Prosecutors charged Loafman with felony counts of Possession of Child Pornography and First-Degree Promoting Child Pornography.

He was taken to the Cole County Jail and held without bond.

An arraignment was scheduled for November 13.

https://krcgtv.com/news/local/cyber-crimes-task-force-investigation-leads-to-arrest-of-jefferson-city-man-justin-loafman-cole-county-boone-county-sheriffs-office-cyber-crime-task-force-national-center-for-missing-and-exploited-children-snapchat

Le Sueur County man charged with child porn possession

The Free Press Brian Arola Jun 8, 2023

LE CENTER — An investigation by an internet crimes unit reportedly traced child pornography to a Montgomery man in April, leading to a felony charge against him this month.

Justin Michael Loewen, 35, was charged with felony child porn possession on June 1 in Le Sueur County District Court.

A criminal complaint states the Synchronoss Technologies software company located a video containing child porn, which the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension's Internet Crimes Against Children Unit connected to a phone number and email address associated with Loewen.

Loewen reportedly provided a statement confirming the phone number was his. Police say he told them someone sent him a link of child porn in 2014 and he opened it and saved it, the complaint states.

https://www.mankatofreepress.com/news/local_news/le-sueur-county-man-charged-with-child-porn-possession/article_906ca286-057b-11ee-8ead-2b15be2b72f8.html

Milwaukee man accused of trying to meet up, have sex with 13-year-old girl

'Predator Poachers' showed up instead of girl Updated: 5:52 PM CDT Mar 26, 2023

MILWAUKEE —Charges were filed Friday against a 26-year-old Milwaukee man, accused of trying to meet up with and have sexual relations with a fictitious 13-year-old girl.

Justin Swift made his initial appearance in court Saturday.

According to the criminal complaint, Swift thought he met a girl named Sarah through the Say Hi app.

But when he told her to come to his house, a group from Texas named "Predator Poachers" showed up and called the police. Swift was eventually arrested.

The criminal complaint says Swift admitted he planned to meet and have sex with the fake 13-year-old girl. He also said he has sent 20 to 30 other children messages on apps that begin with the question "Do you like pedophiles?"

Swift also admitted he had molested two other people, including his cousin who was 10 or 11 years old at the time.

Swift is due back in court on April 3 for a preliminary hearing.

https://www.wisn.com/article/milwaukee-man-accused-trying-to-meet-up-have-sex-with-13-year-old-girl/43420870

Judge sentences registered sex offender to more than 20 years on child pornography charges

Thursday, June 3, 2021 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Missouri

CAPE GIRARDEAU – United States District Judge Rodney W. Sippel sentenced **Justin A. Williams** to 270 months in prison today. The 29-year-old Cape Girardeau resident pleaded guilty, in December, to one count of receiving child pornography.

Williams admitted using the internet to solicit sexually explicit material from a 14-year old female from the state of Washington in December 2019. At the time he committed the offense, Williams was already required to register as a sex offender because of his 2015 state conviction for first-degree child molestation from the Circuit Court of Scott County. According to court records from that case, Williams sexually abused a six-year old female relative in 2014. Williams was released from the Missouri Department of Corrections just months before committing the federal offense.

After serving his 270-month federal sentence, Williams will be placed on supervised release for the rest of his life. Williams will also be required to continue registering as a sex offender.

This case was investigated by the Missouri State Highway Patrol and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Assistant United States Attorney Jack Koester is handling the case.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-edmo/pr/judge-sentences-registered-sex-offender-more-20-years-child-pornography-charges

Western New Yorkers arrested for sex crimes against children

By: Anthony Reyes

Posted at 1:36 PM, Dec 13, 2022 and last updated 10:23 AM, Jun 20,

2023

BUFFALO, N.Y. (WKBW) — New York State police announced Western New Yorkers have been arrested for sex crimes against children.

The arrests were made between December 2022 and June 2023.

- 25-year-old Scott Wood, Jr. of Eden was arrested for possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed child pornography. He was arraigned in the Town of Evans Court.
- 44-year-old Domenic Licata of West Seneca was arrested for possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed child pornography. He was arraigned in the Town of West Seneca Court.
- 24-year-old Matthew Koons of Kenmore was arrested for promoting a sexual performance by a child and possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed and was disseminating child pornography. He was arraigned in the Town of Amherst Court and was released on his own recognizance and scheduled to return to court this month.
- 34-year-old Leonard Sawyer of Cheektowaga was arrested for promoting a sexual performance by a child and possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed and was disseminating child pornography. He was arraigned in the Town of Cheektowaga Court and was released on his own recognizance and scheduled to return to court in 2023.
- 41-year-old Daniel Johnson of North Tonawanda was arrested for possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed child pornography. He was arraigned in the Town of North Tonawanda Court.
- 40-year-old Reginold Mohamed of Snyder was arrested for promoting a sexual performance by a child and possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed and was disseminating child pornography. He was remanded to the Erie County Holding Center for arraignment.
- 27-year-old Ryan Smith of Cheektowaga was arrested for promoting a sexual performance by a child and possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed and was disseminating child pornography.

- He was arraigned in Town of Cheektowaga Court and released on his own recognizance. He is scheduled to return to court in 2023.
- 19-year-old Francis Campbell of Tonawanda was arrested for promoting a sexual performance by a child and possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed and was disseminating child pornography. He was arraigned in Town of Tonawanda Court and released on his own recognizance. He is scheduled to return to court in 2023.
- 21-year-old Ezequiel Figueroa-Torres of Lockport was arrested for promoting a sexual performance by a child and possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed and was disseminating child pornography. He was arraigned in City of Lockport Court.
- 51-year-old Gordon C. Robinson of Eden was arrested for possessing a sexual performance by a child and two counts of third-degree criminal possession of a weapon. He allegedly possessed child pornography and an AR-15 with high-capacity magazines. He was arraigned in Town of West Seneca Court and was released on his own recognizance. He is scheduled to return to Town of Eden Court in December 2022.
- 22-year-old Matthew P. Kowalski of Kenmore was arrested for promoting a sexual performance by a child and possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed and was disseminating child pornography. He was arraigned in the Village of Kenmore Court and was released on his own recognizance and is scheduled to return to court in 2023.
- 19-year-old Lucas Shavensky of Orchard Park was arrested for possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed child pornography.
- 19-year-old Jordan Hunter of Buffalo was arrested for possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed child pornography.
- 35-year-old Mark Bennet of Albion was arrested on five counts of possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed child pornography.
- 30-year-old Jamison W. Riling of Buffalo was arrested for possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed child pornography.
- 29-year-old Bryan J. Slattery of Cheektowaga was arrested for promoting a sexual performance by a child and possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed and was disseminating child pornography.
- 22-year-old Kriston J. Bishop was arrested for promoting a sexual performance by a child and possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed and was disseminating child pornography.
- 27-year-old Joshua Roman of Buffalo was arrested for use of a child in a sexual performance, promoting a sexual performance by a child, and possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed child pornography and was disseminating child pornography. Roman was also

- allegedly in possession of child pornography with himself in the pictures/videos with children.
- 19-year-old Joshua R. McGreevy of Amherst was arrested for possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed child pornography.
- 61-year-old Myron A. Bialaszewski of Salamanca was arrested for possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed child pornography.
- 35-year-old Thomas R. Johnson of Buffalo was arrested for possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed child pornography.
- 50-year-old Anthony M. Polichetti of Cheektowaga on four counts of possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed child pornography.
- 21-year-old Justin Woods of Buffalo was arrested on 12 counts of possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed child pornography.
- 19-year-old Joseph Conklin of Cheektowaga was arrested for promoting a sexual performance by a child and possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed and was disseminating child pornography.
- 29-year-old Fnu Raine of Medina was arrested on 10 counts of possessing a sexual performance by a child. He allegedly possessed child pornography.

https://www.wkbw.com/news/local-news/western-new-yorkers-arrested-for-sex-crimes-against-children

St. Louis man sentenced to 25 years for producing child pornography

Friday, July 29, 2022 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Missouri

ST. LOUIS – U.S. District Judge Henry E. Autrey on Thursday sentenced a St. Louis man who created child pornography and sold it online to 25 years in federal prison to be followed by a lifetime of supervised release.

Kailon Vontez Lewis made four pornographic videos involving an underage girl, and then sold the videos online for \$40 each. He also admitted possessing thousands of images containing child porn.

Investigators were alerted by multiple tips to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about Lewis.

Lewis, 23, pleaded guilty in December to one count of production of child pornography.

The case was investigated by the FBI. Assistant U.S. Attorney Kyle Bateman prosecuted the case.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-edmo/pr/st-louis-man-sentenced-25-years-producing-child-pornography

Farmington man arrested on child pornography charges

by: Liz Dowell

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FARMINGTON, Mo — In Farmington, Missouri, a man has been arrested for possession of child pornography. On August 31, 2023, the St. Francois County Prosecuting Attorney's Office charged **Kaleb L. Curtis**, aged 23, with three counts of possession of child pornography, resulting in a warrant for his arrest.

Curtis voluntarily turned himself in to the St. Francois County Sheriff on the same day, and he has since posted a \$50,000 bond. The investigation started in August 2022, when investigators received a cybertip indicating that a social media user had uploaded a video identified as child pornography.

Curtis was identified as a suspect. After further investigations and interviews, the Missouri Digital Forensics Center checked Curtis' cellphone and desktop computer under a St. Francois County search warrant. This check uncovered several images of child pornography on Curtis' cellphone.

https://fox2now.com/news/missouri/farmington-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges/#:~:text=Francois%20County%20Prosecuting%20Attorney's%20Office,since%20posted%20a%20%2450%2C000%20bond

Tip leads to arrest of South Carolina teen facing 10 counts of child sex crimes, officials say

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Janice Limon Social Media Executive Produce

ANDERSON, S.C. —

An Anderson, South Carolina, man faces 10 child sex charges in connection with what law enforcement officials found on his computer, state officials said Monday.

South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson's office said **Kaleb Michael Grant**, 19, of Anderson, was arrested Thursday and charged with 10 counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of minors.

Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force investigators, along with the Anderson County Sheriff's Office, made the arrest after receiving a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC), officials said.

They said that tip led them to Grant, who had files of child sexual abuse material in his possession.

The felony offenses Grant is charged with carry up to 10 years in prison for each count, officials said.

This case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office. https://www.wyff4.com/article/ti

Man charged with 3 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor in Horry Co.

by Brianna Allison Fri, October 27th 2023

HORRY COUNTY, S.C. (WPDE) — The Horry County Sheriff's Office arrested an 18-year-old for sexual exploitation on Friday.

According to deputies, the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force investigators received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about alleged criminal activity on the social media app, Discord.

Investigators then executed a search warrant which led them to **Kaleb Nicholas** Sherman.

He was charged with three counts of sexual exploitation of a minor and was released on a \$30,000 bond.

Officials said the case will be prosecuted by the South Carolina Attorney General's Office.

https://wpde.com/news/local/18-year-old-charged-sexual-exploitation-minor-kaleb-nicholas-sherman-crimes-against-children-task-force-investigators-national-center-missing-exploited-children-discord-app-30000-bond-south-carolina-attorney-general-office-october-27-2023

Lebanon man sentenced to 9 years for promoting child porn

by: Tony Nguyen, Jessica Hammer, Ben Gilbert

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UPDATE (10/2/23): Karl Mason was sentenced to 9 years in prison for promoting child pornography.

Mason entered an open plea to one count of promoting child pornography on August 7, 2023.

The prosecution dismissed the remaining eight counts.

Karl Mason, 44, was charged with one count of Class B Promoting Child Pornography 1st Degree, one count of Class D Promoting Child Pornography 2nd Degree, and seven counts of Class B Possession of Child Pornography.

According to a press release from the Lebanon Police Department, on March 6, officers from the Lake Area Cyber Crimes Task Force and the Lebanon Police Department served a search warrant at a residence suspected of downloading and sharing child pornography through email and social media instant messaging on February 14.

A probable cause statement from the LPD states officers seized four devices while searching Mason's home, including a cell phone Mason admitted using to download and share pornographic images. Law enforcement's initial overview of the phone's gallery found over 300 images and videos.

Officers encourage internet users to notify their local law enforcement agency of anyone who attempts to engage in unwanted, inappropriate, or sexualized communications with children.

https://www.ozarksfirst.com/news/lebanon-man-charged-with-9-counts-of-child-pornography/

Ashford man among 19 nabbed in sex crime sting

By WTVY Staff

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PANAMA CITY, Fla. (WTVY) - A Wiregrass man was among nineteen individuals arrested after a multi-agency undercover investigation called Operation Cross Country XIII took place in Bay County, Florida in July.

According to officials, during this operation 14 individuals were arrested for traveling to engage in sexual activity with a minor. Six were arrested for possession of child porn.

Among those arrested was Adam Glen McCullen, 35, of Ashford, Alabama. McCullen was arrested by the Jackson County Sheriff's Office for Traveling to Meet a Minor for Sex.

Others arrested in the sting include:

Jesus Rangel De La Cruz, 32 of Panama City, on a charge of Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.

Nery Antonio Bonilla Galvez, 37 of Panama City, on a charge of Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.

Flavio Cruz, 25, for Possession of Child Porn.

James Michael Cummings, 44 of Freeport, FL, on a charge of Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.

Luke Kirspel, 20 of Miramar Beach, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.

James Edward Clay, Jr., 43 of Panama City Beach, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.

Shane Steve Cherry, 34 of Panama City, for Possession of Child Porn.

Adam Louis Szenay, 41 of Lynn Haven, for Possession of Child Porn.

Christopher James Correll, 49 of Lynn Haven, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.

Zamir Devon Blue, 26 of Panama City, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.

Donald Powell, 78 of Panama City, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.

Devonte Lavelle Malcolm, 27 of Riverview, FL, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.

Cameron Scott Shiver, 20 of Panama City, for Possession of Child Porn.

Shemar O. Pearson, 23, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.

Jose Arizmendi, 36, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.

Robinson Andres Mancheno Monar, 26 of Panama City, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.

Carlos Mejia Ruiz, 18, for Traveling to Meet a Minor and Solicitation of a Minor for Sex.

Kasey Copeland, 30 of Youngstown, for Possession of Child Porn.

Operation Cross Country XIII was held from July 21 through 23.

Headquartered at the BCSO in Bay County, the operation involved the cooperation of The Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), the Bay County Sheriff's Office, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), the Jackson County Sheriff's Office, the US Marshal's Service, United States Air Force OSI, the Panama City Police Department, the Panama City Beach Police Department, and the Lynn Haven Police Department.

No other information on the investigation is currently available. https://www.wtvy.com/2023/08/01/ashford-man-among-19-nabbed-sex-crime-sting/

Cape May Court House woman charged in child porn case

By Eric Conklin Aug 25, 2023

CAPE MAY COURT HOUSE — A woman employed by the Middle Township School District was arrested Friday following an investigation into possession of child pornography allegations.

Kathryn Campbell, 23, was charged with three counts of endangering the welfare of a child, the Cape May County Prosecutor's Office said in a news release.

She is being held in the Cape May County jail, records state.

Authorities were led to Campbell through a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Campbell allegedly used an online chat platform to sexually exploit a minor and possessed several images of child pornography, prosecutors said.

She is employed by the Middle Township school district as a school bus aide. District officials couldn't immediately be reached for comment Friday.

A court-authorized search warrant was performed on Campbell's residence in the 200 block of Hand Avenue Friday. Several items storing suspected child pornography were recovered, prosecutors say.

https://pressofatlanticcity.com/news/local/crime-courts/school-bus-worker-capemay-county-charged-child-porn/article_1119dcfe-437b-11ee-b67f-53dd21b5f348.html

Arizona charter school music teacher accused of child pornrelated offenses

By Kenneth Wong Published May 29, 2023 Updated May 30, 2023 Crime and Public Safety FOX 10 Phoenix

PHOENIX - Court documents show a Buckeye man who works as a teacher at a charter school was arrested for alleged sexual exploitation of minors.

According to the documents, 65-year-old **Keith Armstrong** was arrested at his home on May 25, following an investigation.

The investigation, according to court documents, began in October 2022, when Buckeye Police started to review multiple tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The tips, according to investigators, "contain 58 image files (total) that were flagged as apparent child pornography." Court documents also provided graphic details on the image's content.

Armstrong, court documents state, was eventually identified by investigators, and a search warrant was served on his home on May 25. While officials were executing the search warrant, investigators state a hard drive was found inside the home, and the drive contained 10 to 25 child pornography images.

Investigators said Armstrong, during an interview that took place after he was read his *Miranda* rights, disclosed that he began to look into pornographic material after battling COVID-19.

"During the interview, the defendant also advised he was a music teacher at a local traditional school," read a portion of the documents.

The Maricopa County Attorney's Office, according to court documents, originally requested a bond of \$100,000 be set for Armstrong. A judge, however, opted to set a bond of \$200,000 instead. Should Armstrong make bail, he will be required to undergo electronic monitoring, and will also be barred from, among other things, having contact with any minors, under any circumstances, and will not be allowed to access the internet except for work. https://www.fox10phoenix.com/news/arizona-charter-school-music-teacher-accused-of-child-porn-related-offenses

Milford man charged with possession of child porn

Keith Civitello was charged with possession of child pornography in the first degree.

Author: FOX61 Staff

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MILFORD, Conn. — A Milford man was arrested and charged with possession of child pornography after a warrant was issued, police announced.

Keith Civitello was arrested on May 9 following an investigation that was initiated when police received a National Center for Missing and Exploited Children CyberTip in January of 2023.

According to police, the CyberTip from Google showed that Civitello had uploaded several images and videos that contained child pornography to Google platforms.

On March 23, the Milford Police Department executed a search warrant for Civitello's home.

The search warrant led to a device that contained child pornography. Additional images and videos were also located in cloud-based storage solutions.

Civitello was charged with Possession of Child Pornography in the first degree with a \$100,000 court-set bond. He was unable to post his bond and was arraigned in Milford Superior Court on May 9.

https://www.fox61.com/article/news/crime/man-charged-with-possession-of-child-porn/520-10fec3cd-c564-4d67-8b1a-070d32a7f745

Additional Information Released In Connection To Arrest Of Man On More Than 50 Sexual Exploitation & Indecent Liberties Charges

November 15, 2023 Rob Eastwood – Reporter NEWS

More details have been released in connection to the arrest of a Hickory man on more than 50 sex offense counts. WHKY previously reported on this suspect's arrest earlier this month.

62-year-old **Kelly Lee Setzer** of Mark Drive in Hickory was arrested November 3 on charges filed by the Catawba County Sheriff's Office and Hickory Police Department. He's charged by the Sheriff's Office with 23 counts of first-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and nine counts of indecent liberties with a minor. Hickory Police charged Setzer with ten counts apiece of second-degree and third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

According to published reports, Hickory Police arrested Setzer following an investigation that dates back to 2021. Setzer was the owner of Max's Mexican Eatery in Hickory when the investigation began. The restaurant was located on Highway 70 in Southwest Hickory. It closed in 2022.

According to multiple published reports, in September and October of 2020, the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force received three tips regarding alleged child pornography. The investigation led to Setzer's arrest.

Setzer was initially jailed the Catawba County Detention Facility under \$455,000 bond. As of earlier today (November 15), Setzer remained in jail and his bond was listed at \$1,230,000. The next scheduled District Court date is November 27.

[Additional information courtesy of Rick Gilbert, WACB]

https://whky.com/additional-information-released-in-connection-to-arrest-of-man-on-more-than-50-sexual-exploitation-indecent-liberties-charges/

Suspect chose to molest 5-year-old with autism because child is non-verbal, officials say

Kelvin Alexander Dias, 23, was arrested and faces five felony charges. Prosecutors said Dias chose the victim because the child was non-verbal.

Author: Cory McCord (KHOU)

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HOUSTON — A suspect was charged with five felonies for sexually assaulting a child, according to Harris County officials.

Kelvin Alexander Dias, 23, was arrested Wednesday and charged with super aggravated sexual assault of a child under the age of 6, two counts of sexual performance of a child under the age of 14, and two cases of possession with intent to promote child pornography, officials said.

"The consequences are 25 to life minimum, no parole," Assistant District Attorney Luke Baty said.

Dias identifies as she/her, according to a response in probable cause court. Dias is accused of molesting a 5-year-old child with autism who was a family friend, according to Baty. Authorities said Dias chose to abuse the child because the child is non-verbal and couldn't report the assault.

Harris County officials said Dias was caught after posting child porn to Twitter.

"The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children learned that there was child pornography flowing through his Twitter account. Two other users informed HPD and flagged that content," Baty said.

Dias wasn't concerned while being taken into custody and told arresting officers about plans to leave the country, according to officials. Dias was paid for some of the crimes, officials said.

In probable cause court, a judge said Dias isn't a United States citizen and has been in Houston for four years. Dias has worked as a housekeeper for two years, making about \$800 a month, the judge said. Dias has no prior convictions, according to authorities.

According to investigators, after being arrested, Dias mentioned another victim but refused to identify the child.

Dias was due back in court on Friday.

A probable cause judge set Dias' total bond at more than \$1 million: \$500,000 for the super aggravated sexual assault charge, \$250,000 for each of the sexual performance of a child charges, and \$100,000 for each of the child pornography charges. There is also a long list of bond conditions Dias must follow if it's posted.

Investigators think there might be more victims and urge parents of children who may have been in contact with Dias to come forward and call the Houston Police Department at 713-830-0583.

 $https://www. \dot{k}hou.com/article/news/crime/kelvin-dias-super-aggravated-sexual-assault-child-harris-county-crime/285-89cb336a-3379-47bb-be1d-9c42a48079ad\\$

Man charged with possession of child pornography in Boone County

Stephanie Southey, KOMU 8 Digital Content Editor Nov 24, 2023

COLUMBIA – A man was charged Tuesday with possession of child pornography in Boone County.

Kelvin Powell Jr., 34, was booked into the Boone County Jail Thursday morning, where he's being held without bond, according to jail records.

According to court documents, while serving a warrant for a separate child sex crimes case in August, police found a cell phone belonging to Powell. The cell phone reportedly contained at least five videos of abuse of a toddler, court documents said.

A court date has been scheduled for 1 p.m. Monday, according to jail records. https://www.komu.com/news/midmissourinews/man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography-in-boone-county/article_c667bc8a-8aec-11ee-ac46-9332c7735d5a.html

Coweta County man faces addition child porn charges

By Doug Evans, Published June 1, 2023, Updated 11:59PM, Coweta County, FOX 5 Atlanta

COWETA COUNTY, Ga. - A Coweta County man is facing additional charges after deputies say they continue to find sexual images of children on electronic devices they seized from his home back in March.

FOX 5 News learned this week of the additional charges against 53-year-old **Kendall Aaron Fisher**.

On May, an investigator with the Coweta County Internet Crimes Against Children Unit arrested Fisher for one count of possession of child pornography.

The sheriff's office says the investigation actually began back in March with a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

"Our investigator in the Crime Suppression unit followed that tip and was able to locate a residence in Coweta County and was able to confirm that there was child sexual abuse material on electronics inside residence and that's when went in and arrested the male offender," said Sgt. Toby Nix of the Coweta County Sheriff's Office.

Deputies seized multiple electronic devices from Fisher's home. Since then, the sheriff's office says it has been conducting a forensic analysis of all of the devices and has found additional images of children. They say they have charged Fisher with four more counts of possession of child sexual abuse material.

Deputies say the 53-year-old works as an engineer at a Coweta County manufacturing plant.

Deputies say Fisher has been released from the Coweta County Jail on bond.

They say they will continue to dig deeper into Fisher's electronic devices and say more charges are possible in this investigation.

https://www.fox5atlanta.com/news/coweta-county-child-porn-arrest-kendall-aaron-fisher

Trumbull Co. man sentenced to jail on child porn charges

by: Patty Coller

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WARREN, Ohio (WKBN) – A Johnston man will serve jail time on child pornography charges.

Kenneth Ruble, 25, was sentenced in Trumbull County Common Pleas Court Thursday to six months in jail and five years of probation. He will also have to register as a Tier 2 sex offender.

Ruble pleaded guilty plea to felony charges of pandering sexually oriented material involving a minor and two counts of illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material or performance.

According to an indictment in the case, the crimes happened during the spring of 2021. They involved images of nude children between the ages of 6 and 12.

Ruble was also ordered to undergo mental health treatment and is not allowed to use electronic devices as part of his probation.

https://www.wkbn.com/news/local-news/trumbull-county-man-sentenced-to-jail-on-child-porn-charges/

Ocala man found with huge cache of child porn, more victims possible, deputies say

Anthony Talcott, Digital Journalist Published: August 25, 2023 at 6:07 PM

Kenneth Sarsony, 35, faces 20 counts of possessing child pornography.

MARION COUNTY, Fla. – An Ocala man was arrested on Thursday after detectives found over 1,000 videos of child pornography in his possession, according to the Marion County Sheriff's Office.

Detectives said they received tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that someone had uploaded files of child pornography to several social media platforms.

Upon investigation, a detective was able to confirm that Kenneth Sarsony. 35, was the man identified in the NCMEC tips, prompting a search of Sarsony's home in Ocala.

According to a news release, Sarsony was interviewed during the search, though he initially denied knowing what child pornography was and ever viewing it.

However, he admitted during the conversation that he was "obsessed with little girls," deputies added.

The release shows that Sarsony also told investigators he had always "wanted to touch a child," explaining he used several fake social media accounts to acquire child pornography and that he had amassed a collection on his electronic devices.

Investigators said over 1,000 videos of child pornography were found on three of his devices.

Sarsony was taken into custody and faces 20 counts of possessing child pornography. He is held on bond of \$40,000.

Due to his comments, detectives believe that he may have personally victimized a child. If you or someone you know was victimized by Sarsony, you are urged to contact detectives at 352-368-3586.

Sarsony has a previous criminal record. In 2011, Sarsony was arrested for defecating outside of Fort King Middle School after school officials found feces at the entrance of classrooms at least five times. He was later found guilty on charges of trespassing.

https://www.clickorlando.com/news/local/2023/08/25/man-found-with-huge-cache-of-child-porn-more-victims-possible-deputies-say/

Bond set at \$170,000 for man charged with child porn

By William Marlow Multimedia Reporter May 17, 2023 Updated May 18, 2023

An Alexander City man is facing felony charges for possessing child pornography.

The Alexander City Police Department arrested **Kent Lamar Jones** last week for possession of child pornography. According to ACPD deputy chief James Easterwood, the arrest occurred on May 5 and police subsequently transported him to the Tallapoosa County Jail.

The 28 year-old faces 17 possession counts, a Class C felony, with each count potentially carrying a maximum of 10 years in prison, according to Alabama law.

Based on court records, his bond has been set at \$172,000. According to Al Wilson, Tallapoosa County jail administrator, he remains detained at the jail.

Court documents also state Jones was arrested for possession with the intent to disseminate obscene material containing visual depictions of people under 17 years-old in obscene acts.

Jones is charged with several drug offenses as well, including one count of each: possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana in the second degree and possession of drug paraphernalia.

A court hearing is scheduled for June 14 with Tallapoosa County District Judge Kim Taylor serving as the assigned judge.

https://www.alexcityoutlook.com/news/bond-set-at-170-000-for-man-charged-with-child-porn/article_92f7f0cc-f4fb-11ed-b37d-17fe87fc4605.html

BSO: National Guardsman arrested after report he livestreamed himself sexually abusing girl

Chris Gothner, Digital Journalist Published: October 26, 2023 at 4:01 PM

POMPANO BEACH, Fla. – Broward County deputies arrested a soldier in the U.S. Army National Guard Wednesday following an investigation they say stemmed from a report that he livestreamed himself sexually abusing a girl.

According to the report, the livestreamed abuse appears to have taken place on a military base out-of-state. A Broward Sheriff's Office arrest report doesn't specify the age of the alleged victim.

Authorities said video chat app Bam Bam tipped off the South Florida Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force to the livestream on Oct. 17, leading investigators to **Ketrick Freeman**.

In the arrest report, detectives said they discovered child sexual abuse material on Freeman's electronic devices after they served a search warrant at his Pompano Beach home Wednesday.

A BSO detective wrote that the 27-year-old had "dozens" of files on his iPhone largely depicting young girls, some of whom were as young as 5, being raped or otherwise sexually abused.

The report states that Freeman told detectives that he was on active duty and stationed at Fort Carson, Colorado during the time of the alleged livestream.

Deputies arrested him on 11 child pornography charges in connection with the files they said they found on his phone.

According to BSO, a federal investigation remained ongoing as of Wednesday, but detectives expect that Freeman will face additional charges.

Freeman was being held in the BSO Main Jail on a \$110,000 bond, according to iail records.

https://www.local10.com/news/local/2023/10/26/bso-national-guardsman-arrested-after-report-he-livestreamed-himself-sexually-abusing-girl/

Man charged with criminal sexual assault, child pornography in Romeoville

Suspect's bond set at \$3 million

By Felix Sarver February 03, 2023 at 5:05 pm CST

A man has been charged with criminal sexual assault of a minor and possession of child pornography in Romeoville.

The charges were filed Tuesday against **Kevan Gibbs**, 33, after an investigation by Romeoville Police Department following contact from a police department in Florida, according to a statement from <u>Romeoville</u> Deputy Police Chief Brant Hromadka.

Gibbs, who has addresses listed in Romeoville and <u>Wilmington</u>, was booked into the <u>Will County</u> jail after his arrest Jan. 27. He faces charges of criminal sexual assault, aggravated criminal sexual abuse and possession of child pornography.

Judge John Anderson set Gibbs' bond at \$3 million after finding a reasonable basis for his warrantless arrest, court records show.

Tallahassee, Florida, police advised that Gibbs was residing at a Romeoville hotel with several family members, Hromadka said.

A teen juvenile was residing in the same room, and Tallahassee police had information that Gibbs allegedly sexually abused the minor and was producing child pornography, Hromadka said.

Romeoville police followed up on this information and obtained a search warrant for the hotel room, he said.

About 1:45 a.m. Jan. 27, officers executed a search warrant at Gibbs' hotel room, Hromadka said. Gibbs was taken into custody, he said.

Four minor children were in the hotel room. They later were taken into protective custody by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, Hromadka said.

"The combined efforts of the Romeoville and Tallahassee police departments resulted in the arrest of Gibbs and enabled these juveniles to be removed from a dangerous and abusive household," Hromadka said.

A criminal complaint filed in court alleged that Gibbs sexually assault and abused a female minor. Gibbs also was charged in the criminal complaint with possessing digital video depicting child pornography.

https://www.shawlocal.com/the-herald-news/2023/02/03/man-charged-with-criminal-sexual-assault-child-pornography-in-romeoville/

Indiana State Police arrest Bartholomew County man on child porn charges

by: Joe Schroeder

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COLUMBUS, Ind. — Indiana State Police have arrested a Bartholomew County man on multiple charges related to child pornography.

ISP troopers with the Crimes Against Children Task Force arrested 61-year-old **Kevin Batman** of Columbus on Tuesday after serving a warrant at his rural Bartholomew County residence.

The investigation into Batman started in September 2022, ISP said, when a cybertip came in regarding the 61-year-old man. Detectives eventually found that Batman possessed "images depicting child pornography".

Troopers obtained a search warrant for Batman's residence, according to ISP. The warrant was served Tuesday, Feb. 21.

While searching Batman's home, ISP said troopers found additional child porn in his possession.

Batman was arrested and charged with 7 counts of level 5 felony child porn possession and 1 count of level 4 child porn possession. He is being held in the Bartholomew County Jail.

https://fox59.com/news/indiana-state-police-arrest-bartholomew-county-man-on-child-porn-charges/

Heber Springs man charged with possession of child sexual abuse materials

by Madison Hardcastle Thu, June 1st 2023, 7:23 PM EDT

LITTLE ROCK (KATV) — Arkansas State Police released information about a man who has been charged with possession of child sexual abuse materials Thursday.

34-year-old **Kevin Alan Broyles** of Heber Springs was arrested on Wednesday and charged with distributing, possessing, or viewing matter depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child.

According to what Broyles told ASP, he had been living in Heber Springs with a friend for about a year.

Currently, Broyles is being held at the Cleburne County Detention Center. https://katv.com/news/local/heber-springs-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-sexual-abuse-materials-distributing-possessing-or-viewing-matter-depicting-sexually-explicit-conduct-involving-a-child-arkansas-grown-mankevin-alan-broyles-arkansas-state-police-information-cleburne

Mabank teenager arrested for allegedly uploading child porn videos

By KLTV Digital Media Staff Published: Nov. 17, 2023 at 1:05 PM EST

MABANK, Texas (KLTV) - A Mabank high school student has been accused of uploading hundreds of child porn videos to an online file sharing service.

Kevin Cruz, 17, was arrested on Wednesday and has been charged with 10 counts of possessing child pornography.

An officer with the Henderson County Sheriff's Office Crimes Against Children Task Force began investigating Cruz on Sept. 21 after a Cyber Tip was generated by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. According to an affidavit, Dropbox flagged a user for uploading two videos of child pornography and notified the national center. Once given the report, the Henderson County officer traced the IP address for the account to a residence in Mabank.

On Nov. 7, the affidavit says, the officer obtained a search warrant for the home, and two investigators interviewed Cruz during this search. Cruz allegedly confessed to looking at child porn and owning the account where the video files were stored, including an additional account on a file sharing service.

Investigators found 734 more porn videos in the file sharing account, according to the affidavit.

An officer spoke with Cruz at Mabank High School on Nov. 14, the affidavit says, where he admitted to having between 200-300 videos of victims between the ages of 5 and 10. Cruz said he downloaded these videos from social media and re-uploaded them to his account, the affidavit states.

Cruz was booked into the Henderson County Jail on Nov. 15 with bond set at \$1,000,000.

https://www.kltv.com/2023/11/17/mabank-teenager-arrested-allegedly-uploading-child-porn-videos/

Cary Man Accused of Making Threats to Children Now Faces Federal Charges

Thursday, November 2, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of North Carolina

RALEIGH, N.C. – U.S. Attorney Michael Easley announced the filing of a criminal complaint against **Kevin Edral Douglas**, 46, alleging that he made threats to shoot or injure children. Douglas was originally arrested on Wednesday by the Cary Police Department and was rearrested on Thursday morning. He remains in custody at this time.

"The swift action by the Cary Police Department to mitigate this threat helped to keep the community safe," said U.S. Attorney Michael Easley. "We are proud to partner with Chief Terry Sult and FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force to prioritize the investigation and prosecution of threats of violence before action is taken."

"The safety and well-being of the public are our utmost priority, and we are committed to taking all necessary actions in coordination with all our public safety partners on the local, State, and Federal level to ensure their protection. We also want to extend our gratitude to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children for their vigilance and quick reporting of this threat, which undoubtedly played a crucial role in resolving this situation before anyone was hurt," said Cary Police Chief Terry Sult.

"The FBI has a strong partnership with the Cary Police Department. Special agents and task force officers work alongside one another every day. The swift action in this case is proof of exactly how important our joint mission is to the safety of our community," said Robert M. DeWitt, the Special Agent in Charge of the FBI in North Carolina.

According to an affidavit filed with the complaint, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) received a series of threatening communications via a cybertip reporting service on NCMEC's public website. The communications that were reported included references to killing children. An investigation into the cybertips led law enforcement to believe that the threats were being made by Douglas, who was residing at the Extended Stay America Motel on Weston Parkway in Cary.

Douglas has a 2016 federal conviction for communicating interstate threats to the British Embassy in Washington, D.C., and an extensive history of threatening behavior beginning around 2002 and spanning at least eight states.

The complaint charges Douglas with knowingly and willfully transmitting in interstate and foreign commerce from North Carolina to Virginia, communications to NCMEC via the cybertip reporting service, and the communications contained a threat to kidnap and injure children.

Michael Easley, U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina made the announcement. The Federal Bureau of Investigation's Joint Terrorism Task Force, the Cary and Raleigh Police Departments are investigating the case and Assistant U.S. Attorney Brad DeVoe is prosecuting the case.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-ednc/pr/cary-man-accused-making-threats-children-now-faces-federal-charges

Fick indicted on federal child porn charges

January 4, 2023

RICH FOUNTAIN — **Kevin A. Fick**, 44, of Rich Fountain, was indicted on Dec. 13, 2022, on two federal charges — receipt of child pornography and possession of child pornography.

At his initial appearance on Dec. 19 before Magistrate Judge Willie J. Epps, Jr., Fick pleaded not guilty after charges and range of punishment were summarized for the defendant. Court-appointed Public Defender Troy Stabenow represents Fick.

The court has sealed the details of Fick's case.

He was taken into custody on Dec. 13 by Osage County deputies, who worked in conjunction with the Franklin County Cyber Crimes Unit.

"I appreciate the hard work our detectives did that was necessary to file these charges," said Sheriff Mike Bonham. "Working to keep our children safe is the most important thing we do."

Osage County has been part of the Franklin County cyber crime task force for few years.

Judge Epps confirmed the United States' obligation to disclose to the defendant all exculpatory evidence — that is, evidence that favors the defendant or casts doubt on the United States' case — as required by Brady v. Maryland and its progeny and orders the United States to do so. Failure to disclose exculpatory evidence in a timely manner may result in consequences, including the exclusion of evidence, adverse jury instructions, dismissal of charges, contempt proceedings, disciplinary action, or sanctions by the court.

The court denied the government's motion to detain Fick, and released him on special conditions that were not made public.

Fick's case was formally set for trial on Feb. 13, but upon agreement and consent by the parties, the court granted his motion to continue this matter to May 1.

https://www.unterrifieddemocrat.com/stories/fick-indicted-on-federal-child-porn-charges,59560

San Antonio teen arrested for possession and distribution of child pornography on Twitter

by SBG San Antonio | Canaan Araujo Tue, November 21st 2023

SAN ANTONIO — A San Antonio teenager was arrested for the possession and distribution of child pornography on Twitter after an extensive investigation.

Kevin Lee Garcia-Perez, 18, was accused and arrested by the San Antonio Police Department for possessing child pornography.

Authorities claim that the witness, who had been dating the suspect, had logged onto Garcia-Perez's Twitter account because she suspected that he was having an affair.

The witness then saw on his Twitter that he had followed accounts that posted and reposted videos of child pornography.

After detectives met with the witness, authorities confirmed Garcia-Perez not only followed child pornography accounts but posted the videos and images onto his own Twitter feed. The victims were all girls between 9 to 12 years old.

Following the meeting with police, Garcia-Perez's partner shared that he had admitted that he was also selling child pornography which was all captured on an audio recording.

A warrant was issued by the police department and Garcia-Perez's Twitter account was suspended.

Garcia-Perez was arrested Monday and is currently being held in the Bexar County Jail.

He is awaiting his pre-hearing in December and has a \$100,000 bond. https://news4sanantonio.com/news/local/san-antonio-teen-arrested-for-possession-and-distribution-of-child-pornography-on-twitter-crime-police-children-safety-trafficking-bexar-county

Convicted sex offender from Jacksonville federally indicted, faces up to 110 years in prison

ActionNewsJax.com News Staff July 5, 2023

The Department of Justice announced the return of an indictment that is charging **Kevin John Merritt** 61, of Jacksonville with the production, distribution, and possession of child sexual abuse materials.

Merritt faces a minimum mandatory 25 years, and up to 110 years, in federal prison. Merritt has been a registered sex offender since 2011 when he was convicted in federal court in Jacksonville of possessing child sexual abuse materials.

Merritt was arrested on March 16, 2023 and has been in custody since that time.

The Jacksonville Sheriff's Office partnered with the FBI to investigate this case.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse.

Project Safe Childhood utilizes resources spanning from local to federal in order to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who sexually exploit children, and to identify and rescue victims.

For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.

https://www.yahoo.com/lifestyle/convicted-sex-offender-jacksonville-federally-201129462.html

Waukesha sex offender caught with child porn, 300K images: complaint

By Christina Van Zelst and FOX6 News Digital Team Published March 1, 2023 Updated 10:14PM Crime and Public Safety FOX6 News Milwaukee

WAUKESHA, Wis. - **Kevin Peeples**, 47, a convicted sex offender released in Waukesha in December 2020, faces 15 counts of possession of child pornography after prosecutors say more than 300,000 images were found on his electronic devices.

According to a criminal complaint, four tips came in in December 2022 to the National Center for Missing/Exploited Children from Microsoft Online Operations/BingImage. The IP address was provided, and an investigation revealed that IP address was registered to Peeples on West Sunset Drive in Waukesha.

A search warrant was executed at Peeples' home on Feb. 23.

Prosecutors say police found child porn on his computer and on a hard drive and tablet found in a safe in his bedroom. The safe also contained "a pouch containing several adult porn magazines."

In all, the complaint says police found more than 124,000 child porn images on the tablet, over 3,000 images on the computer and around 220,000 images on the hard drive.

"Anytime there's behavior that's linked to a thought like that, it's very dangerous to society because if they do it once, it's going to happen again," said Waukesha Police Lt. Jerry Habanek.

Peeples was previously arrested in August 2013, charged with 10 counts of possession of child porn for "organizing and categorizing" hundreds of thousands of child pornography images on his computer. He was convicted of two counts and sentenced to four years in prison.

The complaint notes that Peeples was sent to prison in that case in July 2014 and released in August 2017. His probation was revoked in 2018, and in August 2018, he was sent back to prison. He was <u>released to live on Sunset Drive in Waukesha in December 2020.</u> In July 2022, he finished his probation.

Now, he's in trouble again.

Lt. Jerry Habanek said cases like this weigh on his team.

"They're not normal things that people read, and they're not right," said Habanek.

He said it's thanks to investments in the department's "Computer Forensics Unit" that they're able to crack the cases.

"Once we recover the devices, the hard drives, whatever medium that they're saving these images on, they're very good at extracting them and saving them for court," said Habanek.

Peeples made his initial appearance in court Tuesday, Feb. 28. Cash bond was set at \$350,000.

https://www.fox6now.com/news/waukesha-sex-offender-caught-child-porn-300k-images-complaint

TOMS RIVER MAN CHARGED WITH POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

Ocean County Prosecutor Bradley D. Billhimer announced that on June 9, 2022, **Kevin Wurtenberg**, 38, of Toms River was charged with Possession of Child Pornography in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)bIII.

This investigation was the result of referrals from the New Jersey State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. The Task Force detected that a Verizon Wireless user was downloading images of child pornography from the internet. An investigation by the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office High Tech Crime Unit identified a Verizon Wireless user with a Toms River address as the person downloading the images of child pornography.

On June 9, 2022, Detectives from the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office High Tech Crime Unit, United States Department of Homeland Security – Investigations Unit, and Toms River Township Police Department, executed a court-authorized search warrant on Wurtenberg's residence in Toms River. As a result, Detectives seized two cell phones from the residence containing several hundred images of child pornography. Wurtenberg was subsequently arrested at his residence. Wurtenberg was processed at the Toms River Township Police Department, and transported to the Ocean County Jail where he is currently lodged pending a detention hearing.

Prosecutor Billhimer commends the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office High Tech Crime Unit, Toms River Township Police Department, New Jersey State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, and the United States Department of Homeland Security – Investigations Unit, for their collaborative assistance in connection with this investigation leading to Wurtenberg's arrest.

The charges referenced above are merely accusations and the press and public are reminded that all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.R.P.C. 3.6(b)(6). https://ocponj.gov/toms-river-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography/

Attleboro man pleads innocent to possessing child pornography

DAVE LINTON mailto:dlinton@thesunchronicle.comMar 16, 2023

ATTLEBORO — A city man pleaded innocent Thursday in Attleboro District Court to possessing a dozen images of alleged child pornography downloaded to his cellphone.

Kevin Sweeney, 32, of 59 Water St., Unit A, was arrested Wednesday when state police and city detectives executed a search warrant at his home, according to a police report.

He is free on \$1,000 cash bail, which he posted at the Foxboro state police barracks after he was booked Wednesday, according to court records.

He was ordered to have no contact with children younger than 16.

State police seized his cellphone, which they alleged contained a dozen images of child pornography after examining the device on scene in addition to two laptops which will be analyzed later, according to a police report.

Sweeney's arrest comes after an investigation by the Massachusetts State Police Cyber Crimes Unit with the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Sweeney's case was continued to May for a pretrial conference.

David Linton may be reached at 508-236-0338.

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Grand jury indicts college student on charges he induced teens to send nude videos

Updated: Aug. 28, 2023, 5:01 p.m.| Published: Aug. 28, 2023, 2:39 p.m. By Kevin Shea | For NJ.com

A state grand jury has returned a 12-count indictment against a then Montclair State University student that accuses him of multiple crimes involving child pornography.

Keyon Luff, 21, of Edgewater Park faces manufacturing child sexual exploitation/abuse material, possessing such material, photographing or filming a child in a prohibited sexual/simulation of an act, impairing or debauching the morals of a child, sexual assault and impersonation, the New Jersey Attorney General's Office announced.

Authorities arrested Luff in his Montclair dormitory room in May of this year while searching it with a warrant and confiscated several electronic devices.

The indictments allege Luff posed as a woman online and engaged children in sexually explicit conversations that led to them recording sexual videos and sending them to Luff, who then uploaded them to a "popular" social media app. Luff used an computer IP (internet protocol) address associated with the college.

Specifically, Luff obtained such videos from three children, ages 14 to 16, between January and July 2021, the indictments allege.

Luff remains jailed in Essex County, records show. His lawyer, Dorion Morgan, declined comment Monday.

New Jersey authorities were tipped to Luff's alleged activities online by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, a private nonprofit that investigates child sexual exploitation and abuse.

On May 8 of this year - five days after Luff's arrest - authorities arrested another Montclair student in his campus dorm room on similar allegations.

Sean Lynch, 21, of Summit is charged with one count of distributing child pornography.

He is accused of distributing 72 videos that show child sex abuse via an instant messaging mobile app between Nov. 9, 2022, and Nov. 14, 2022. Lynch also allegedly used a university IP address, to access the app, authorities have said.

The U.S. Secret Service investigated Lynch and the case against him is pending in federal court in New Jersey, court records show.

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Naplate man charged with possession of child porn

Charge carries a 3 to 7 year prison sentence, if convicted

By Shaw Local News Network April 05, 2023 at 1:41 pm CDT

A Naplate man has been charged with two counts of possession of child pornography, the La Salle County Sheriff's Office said Wednesday.

Kiefer W. Tunget, 31, was charged following an investigation with assistance by the Ottawa Police Department and Illinois Attorney General's Office High Tech Crimes Bureau.

The charge is a Class 2 felony carrying three to seven years in prison. Bond was set at \$75,000; Tunget posted 10% and was released Wednesday. Tunget, who will be represented by the La Salle County Public Defender, will next appear April 14.

The La Salle County Sheriff's Office has members assigned to the Illinois Attorney General's Office Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. https://www.shawlocal.com/mywebtimes/2023/04/05/naplate-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-porn/

Enterprise woman arrested on child porn charges

By Bill Bradshaw Wallowa County Chieftain May 3, 2023 Updated Jul 5, 2023

ENTERPRISE — An Enterprise woman was charged Saturday, April 29, with 10 counts of encouraging child sexual abuse in the first degree and taken to the Umatilla County Jail in Pendleton where she is being held on a bond of \$100,000.

Kindra Dawn Peterson, 37, is accused of either duplicating or disseminating electronic images of child pornography, according to Rebecca Frolander, Wallowa County district attorney. Frolander could not be more specific because the charges were determined before a grand jury.

"This started as a tip that came through (Oregon's) Internet Crimes Against Children unit," she said.

That state agency gets tips from National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, she said.

The grand jury indictment handed down April 25 in Wallowa County Circuit Court will be prosecuted by Elijah Michalowski, a senior assistant attorney general and special deputy district attorney for Wallowa County.

Frolander said she was asked if she wanted to prosecute the case or if she would prefer that Michalowski do it and she turned it over to Michalowski.

Peterson's next appearance will be a plea hearing scheduled for 1:05 p.m. Wednesday, May 24 in Wallowa County Circuit Court. Frolander said that schedule could change.

Frolander said the maximum penalty for Class B felonies is 10 years in prison each, though it is unlikely Peterson will be sentenced to 10 years for each felony. It is likely, Frolander said, that Peterson will be required to report as a sex offender upon release.

https://www.wallowa.com/news/local/enterprise-woman-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/article_6de4074e-e90c-11ed-9e85-db35d0f6fb48.html

Buffalo man arrested for sex crimes against children

06 March 2023

NEW YORK STATE POLICE Major Eugene J. Staniszewski Troop A Commander

PRESS RELEASE

On March 2, 2023, the Bureau of Criminal Investigation stationed at SP Clarence arrested **Kriston J. Bishop**, 22 of Buffalo, NY for Promoting a Sexual Performance by a Child (D Felony) and Possessing a Sexual Performance by a Child (E Felony).

The Bureau of Criminal Investigation out of SP Clarence with the assistance from the Troop A Computer Crimes Unit, conducted an Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) investigation in the city of Buffalo. Investigation determined Bishop possessed child pornography and was disseminating child pornography.

Bishop was arraigned in the city of Buffalo Court and was released on own recognizance and scheduled to return to court in March of 2023.

The mission of the ICAC Task Force is to identify individuals online who are attempting to lure children to meet for sex or those disseminating child sexual abuse material. The Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program (ICAC program) helps state and local law enforcement agencies develop an effective response to technology-facilitated child sexual exploitation and Internet crimes against children.

https://www.nyspnews.com/buffalo-man-arrested-for-sex-crimes-against-children-1-2-3-4-5.htm#:~:text=On%20March%202%2C%20203%2C%20the,a%20Child%20(E%20Felony).

Cabot man arrested after police say evidence of child pornography was found at residence

by Ashley Crockett Tue, February 28th 2023

LITTLE ROCK (KATV) — A CyberTip received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children led to the arrest of an Arkansas man after police found evidence of child pornography.

The case was originally assigned to Sgt. Michelle Hart of the Arkansas State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force following the tip that was received by NCMEC.

On Feb. 23, Cabot police served a search warrant to the home of **Kristopher Lauderdale** of Cabot.

Upon a search of the residence, officials said evidence found developed probable cause for Lauderdale's arrest.

Lauderdale was immediately transferred to the Cabot Police Department and booked without incident police said.

Lauderdale has been charged with 14 counts of distributing, possessing, or viewing of matter depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child.

He was later transferred to the Lonoke County Jail where he is being held without bond.

https://katv.com/news/local/cabot-man-arrested-after-police-say-evidence-of-child-pornography-was-found-at-residence-national-center-for-missing-and-exploited-children-arkansas-state-police-internet-crimes-against-children-task-force

North Port man charged with possession of child porn

By ABC7 Staff

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Man arrested after caught with child pornography in Visalia, police say

by Peter Lopez Wed, May 10th 2023, 10:38 PM EDT

VISALIA, Calif. (FOX26) — A man is now behind bars after officers say he was caught with child pornography in Visalia.

According to the Visalia Police Department, **Kyle Dowdle**, 35, was arrested Wednesday afternoon at home in the 2000 block of South Church Street.

Officers say a tip from the Fresno Internet Crimes Against Children Unit led to the suspect who was said to be in possession of child pornography.

Dowdle was arrested and booked into the Tulare County Pre Trail-Facility. https://kmph.com/news/local/man-arrested-after-caught-with-child-pornography-in-visalia-police-say

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Watertown man, 39, arrested for child pornography

Steve Jurrens Jul 8, 2023 Updated Jul 10, 2023

As a result of an investigation conducted by the Watertown Police Department, Child Protection Services, and the S.D D.C.I., **Laine Henman**, 39, of Watertown, SD, was arrested yesterday (7/7/23) on a warrant for possession of child pornography.

According to court documents, he was charged with Possession/Manufacturing or Distributing Child Pornography, a Class 4 felony.

Henman is held at the Codington County Detention Center on a \$10,000 cash bond. He has since bonded out later Friday afternoon and now has a court date set for August 1, 2023 at 9:30 am.

The Watertown Police Department received a tip regarding the possible possession of child pornography. The investigation led to the execution of a search warrant at a residence in the 900 block of North Broadway Street in Watertown, SD.

The investigation is ongoing, and additional charges are pending. https://www.mykxlg.com/news/local/watertown-man-35-arrested-for-child-pornography/article_8077f26a-1dc0-11ee-bf7b-6bc26a389af2.html

Hanover man faces charges related to possession of child pornography

The Wright County Sheriff's Office says that a software program allowed them to flag over 100 images of child pornography.

By Abdualla Gaafarelkhalifa July 18, 2023

BUFFALO — A Hanover, Minnesota, man is facing charges related to child pornography.

Larry Dale Johnson, 68, faces 10 felony counts of child pornography possession, according to a Wright County criminal complaint.

In March 2023, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children sent a cyber tip to the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension regarding an image containing sexually explicit conduct involving an infant. The tip indicated the image was uploaded to the search tool for Microsoft Bing from an IP address tied to Comcast and issued to Johnson, according to the criminal complaint.

Later in June, Johnson's electronic devices were seized by the Wright County Sheriff's Office after a search warrant was issued. A software program allowed the sheriff's office to flag over 100 images of child pornography, according to the criminal complaint. An analysis also revealed an internet search history including searches for similar pornographic content.

On Thursday, June 29, a detective for the Wright County Sheriff's Office tried to speak to Johnson, who invoked his right to an attorney. According to the complaint, Johnson said "he was a good guy who just did something stupid, and that it was a stupid mistake."

A warrant was issued against Johnson on Friday, July 14, and it was cleared on Sunday, July 16.

Johnson's next court date is on Monday, Aug. 21. https://www.stcloudlive.com/news/local/hanover-man-faces-charges-related-to-possession-of-child-pornography

Weston man indicted for alleged rape

Staff Reports February 6, 2023

Two men from Wood County and one from Lucas County have been indicted for sexual-related offenses.

A Wood County grand jury on Wednesday indicted Daniel P. Stump, 42, Weston, for four counts of rape, all first-degree felonies.

All four incidents allegedly occurred Sept. 12, against the same person.

Court paperwork outlines that Stump knew the alleged victim's ability to resist or consent was substantially impaired because of mental or physical condition or because of advanced age.

The grand jury indicted **Lawrence M. Nusbaum**, 50, Perrysburg, for illegal use of a minor or impaired person in nudity-oriented material or performance, a felony of the fifth degree.

On June 16, he allegedly possessed or viewed material that showed a minor who was not his child in a state of nudity.

The grand jury also indicted William Ocasia Torres, 41, Holland, for importuning and disseminating matter harmful to juveniles, both fifth-degree felonies; and attempted unlawful sexual conduct with a minor, a fourth-degree felony.

On Dec. 16, while chatting online with an undercover officer posing as a 15-year-old girl, Torres allegedly attempted to obtain nude images. He allegedly gave instructions to the officer posing as a girl on what part of the body to take a picture of, where to do it, and how to silence her phone so she would not get caught.

He also allegedly solicited the officer to engage in sex and help her "explore her sexual fantasies."

On Dec. 30, he allegedly continued to push for more naked pictures while sending to the officer two pictures of himself in a state of nudity. He also allegedly tried to set up a meeting.

An indictment is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt.

https://www.sent-trib.com/2023/02/06/weston-man-indicted-for-alleged-rape/

LCSO makes arrest in child porn case

By WCTV Staff

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TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (WCTV) - The Leon County Sheriff's Office made an arrest in a child pornography investigation.

The (ICAC) Task Force at LCSO made an arrest after executing a search warrant at a residence at the 1700 block of Bernay Boulevard that involved possession of Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM).

The investigation began in April of 2022 and detectives were able to connect the illegal files to a 31-year-old **Lazaro Martinez-Partida**. After the search warrant, they found several electronic devices that contained child pornography.

This is an active investigation. LCSO asks anyone with any information about cases of exploitation of children to reach out to the Internet Crimes Against Children Unit Task Force at (850) 606-3300. LCSO offers cash rewards from \$500 to \$5,000 for anonymous tips that lead to an arrest.

https://www.wctv.tv/2022/08/18/lcso-makes-arrest-child-porn-case/

Feds: Edinburg man allegedly had thousands of child porn images on cell phone

by: Steven Masso

Posted: Feb 2, 2023 / 01:57 PM CST

EDINBURG, Texas (ValleyCentral) — An Edinburg man has allegedly told authorities that there may be thousands of images of child pornography on his cell phone, according to federal officials.

Lazaro Yahir Segundo Vasquez was arrested Wednesday on charges of receiving or distributing child pornography, federal records show.

A criminal complaint obtained by ValleyCentral indicates that on May 4, 2022, the Homeland Security Investigations, led RGV Child Exploitation Task Force, was contacted about an investigative regarding a Google account. Authorities identified the suspect as Segundo and asked to speak with him at his residence, the complaint stated.

Segundo gave authorities permission to look at his phone, according to the complaint.

"The cellular device of Segundo had several online applications which contained images and videos depicting prepubescent children engaged in sex acts with adults and other children," investigators stated in the complaint.

According to federal investigators, Segundo allegedly admitted that he received and distributed the images from his cell phone between April 6, 2022 and Jan. 29, 2023.

"Segundo further stated that there may be thousands of videos and or images of child pornography on his cellular device...," the complaint stated.

Segundo has a detention hearing scheduled for Feb. 7, records show. https://www.valleycentral.com/news/local-news/feds-edinburg-man-said-he-had-thousands-of-images-of-child-porn-on-cell-phone/

Wood County Grand Jury issues indictments

Staff Reports Nov 8, 2022

PARKERSBURG — The Wood County Grand Jury released a variety of indictments Monday following a special session.

- * Jerome Lee Blackwell, 43, North Central Regional Jail, was indicted on four counts wanton endangerment involving a firearm, person prohibited from possessing a firearm and two counts of second-offense possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver from January and February.
- * Larissa Ann Brady, 39, NCRJ, was indicted on two counts of forgery and two counts of uttering from July.
- * Duane Scott Byrd, 40, NCRJ, was indicted on two counts of first-degree sexual assault, three counts of sexual abuse by a parent, guardian or person in position of trust, two counts of attempted sexual assault in the first degree and incest from April 2019 through June 2020.
- * Brian Dean Caseman, 61, NCRJ, was indicted on charges of failure to provide notice of registration changes, failure to register, seven counts of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, maintaining a dwelling for using, keeping and/or selling of controlled substances and maintaining a vehicle for using, keeping and/or selling of controlled substances in September and October.
- * Dustin Ryan Eakle, 40, NCRJ, was indicted on a charge of possesion of a stolen vehicle from August.
- * Donald Alex Elkins, 47, 916 Swann St., Apt. B, Parkersburg, was indicted on a charge of third-offense driving while license revoked for DUI from May 2021.
- * Larry Wayne Gaynor, 29, NCRJ, was indicted on charges of possession of a stolen vehicle and two counts of second-offense possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver from August.
- * Antinio Hannah, 38, NCRJ, was indicted on a charge of threatening or intimidating a public officer.
- * Eric Harman, 33, NCRJ, and Chelsea Rockhold, 30, 1415 Beaver St., Parkersburg, were each indicted on charges of grand larceny and conspiracy to commit a felony from September

- * Charles Clinton Hess IV, 21, NCRJ, was indicted on charges of burglary, destruction of property, battery on a law enforcement officer, battery and false pretense from August.
- * Nicholas Paul Ickes, 27, NCRJ, was indicted on two counts of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver and one count of possession of an imitation controlled substance with intent to deliver from August.
- * Thomas E. Malone Jr., 22, NCRJ, was indicted on charges of robbery in the first degree, burglary, malicious assault and escape from June and September.
- * Joshua Eric Mercy, 30, 2801 Emerson Ave., Apt. 13, Parkersburg, was indicted on two counts of second-offense possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, person prohibited from possessing a firearm and maintaining a dwelling for using, keeping and/or selling of controlled substances from January.
- * Lennie Shawn Satterfield, 50, Huttonsville Correctional Center, was indicted to five counts of distribution and exhibition of material depicting minors engaged in sexually explicit conten and two counts of distribution and exhibition of material depicting minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct depicting violence against a child from April through August.
- * Davante Kyaire Singfield, 21, 335 Booth Ave., Akron, Ohio, was indicted on two counts of second-offense possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver and failure to appear from June and July.
- * Donovan Suttle, 35, NCRJ, was indicted on two counts of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver from October.
- * De'Von Mikel Thompson, 21, NCRJ, Jaleeo Imon George, 20, NCRJ, and Daeshe Lee Sims, 20, 496 Lancaster Ave., Reynoldsburg, Ohio, were codefendans. Thompson was indicted on three counts of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver and fleeing from an officer with reckless indifference from October and conspiracy to commit possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver from June through October. George was indicted on charges of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver from October, two counts of delivery of a controlled substance from June and conspiracy to commit possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver from June through October. Sims was indicted on charges of maintaining a vehicle for using, keeping and/or selling of controlled substances from October and conspiracy to commit possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver from June through October.

- * Michael Warren Westfall, 50, NCRJ, was indicted on two counts of fleeing from an officer in a vehicle causing bodily injury and possession of a stolen vehicle from August.
- * Lee Iven Woodlee, 49, NCRJ, was indicted on a charge of fleeing from an officer with reckless indifference from June.

https://www.newsandsentinel.com/news/local-news/2022/11/wood-county-grand-jury-issues-indictments-9/

Pike County DA and task force arrest four men in child pornography crackdown

by FOX56 NEWSROOM Thu, June 15th, 2023, 1:25 PM EDT

PIKE COUNTY, Pa. (WOLF) — A partnership between The Pike County District Attorney's Office and the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force takes four individuals offline in child pornography arrests.

Four men have been charged with sexual abuse of children, which is the official crime defining child pornography offenses in Pennsylvania:

- Logan Kelly, age 18, of Shohola has been charged with one count of sexual abuse of children-possession of child pornography; a felony of the 2nd degree.
- Joseph P. Casella, Age 72, of Hawley has been charged with one countsexual abuse of children-dissemination- photo/video of child sex acts; a felony of the second degree, twenty-nine counts-sexual abuse of childrenpossession of child pornography, and one count criminal use of communication facility; a felony of the third.
- Aidan Collins, age 18, of Dingmans Ferry has been charged with nine counts-sexual abuse of children-possession of child pornography, and one count-criminal use of communication facility.
- Joseph Coletto, age 78, of Greentown one count-sexual abuse of children-dissemination- photo/video of child sex acts, one count-sexual abuse of children-possession of child pornography, and one count-criminal use of communication facility.

Each investigation began with a cybertip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children to the Internet Crimes Against Children task force that a person had been interacting with apparent child sexual abuse material online. From there, the tip is provided to the local partner, the Pike County District Attorney's Office. Then detectives from the Pike County District Attorney's Office Criminal Investigation Division began to obtain subpoenas and search warrants to investigate the source of where the child pornography is being possessed and disseminated in Pike County.

Then comes the final step of bringing a search warrant to the house where the person is to extract information from a variety of electronic devices, from computers to cell phones to other storage drives. Once this is complete an arrest can be made.

Tonkin noted that if the suspect has access to any minor children the children can be interviewed at Dickson House Children's Advocacy Center by trained forensic interviewers to determine if the child has been molested.

In a statement, Tonkin remarked:

"The partnership with the ICAC Task Force and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children has been a real plus in Pike County to ferret out sexual predators online that exploit children."

Tonkin also thanked the Pennsylvania State Police Computer Crime Unit and the Blooming Grove Barracks, the Pike County Sheriff, the Delaware Valley School Police and the Wayne County District Attorney's Office for their assistance in these investigations.

https://fox56.com/news/local/pike-county-da-and-task-force-arrest-four-men-in-child-pornography-crackdown

MC man charged with child porn possession, dissemination

By MACKENZIE WITT THE (SHAMOKIN) NEWS-ITEM Jun 13, 2023

MOUNT CARMEL — Logan McCracken, 35, of South Hickory Street, Mount Carmel, was charged by Pennsylvania State Police Trooper Jonathan Bailey with second-degree felony charges of dissemination of photos or film of child sex acts, possession of child pornography, and criminal use of a communication facility pertaining to alleged activity between 2021 and 2023.

McCracken was arraigned at 10 a.m. June 9 by Magisterial District Judge Michael Toomey and posted \$10,000 straight bail.

According to the affidavit, Bailey received three CyberTipline reports on April 24 from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC).

The NCMEC is a private, nonprofit corporation whose mission is to help find missing children, reduce child sexual exploitation, and prevent child victimization.

Between Dec. 31, 2021 and Jan. 16, 2023, Google made three reports to the NCMEC that they became aware of approximately 48 images and a video depicting child pornography being uploaded to their Google Drive server by McCracken from various IP addresses, as the affidavit states.

Two of the IP addresses were listed as McCracken's place of residence on South Hickory Street and the Mount Carmel Area Public Library, where McCracken was employed during the first quarter of 2023.

During the police's warranted search at 150 S. Hickory St. on May 12, McCracken confirmed ownership of the phone number that was provided by the CyberTipline.

According to the affidavit, McCracken provided admissions to possessing, viewing and uploading child pornography on his cell phone and one of the Apple iMac computers in the residence. Police seized McCracken's cell phone, three iMac computers, two USB thumb drives, an HP laptop, and a Toshiba external hard drive.

Bailey recovered approximately 200 exploitative images from McCracken's cell phone, iMac, and thumb drives.

McCracken's preliminary hearing with Magisterial District Judge William Cole is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on June 21.

https://www.standard-journal.com/article_ba8b8b47-92d1-5f4a-b3e1-88bf06689dd9.html

Frederick County Grand Jury Returns 11 Indictments

June 2, 2023 - 4:10 pm

Four of the indictments included several counts of child pornography charges.

Frederick, Md. (BW)- The Frederick County Grand Jury returned 11 indictments on Friday, June 2.

- Logan Jay Voegtly, 36, of Thurmont is charged with five counts of distribution and six counts of possession of child pornography between July 9 and July 20, 2022.
- Carlos Javier Guzman-Cruz, 34, of New Market is charged with three counts of distribution and 10 counts of possession of child pornography between August 17, 2022 and April 25, 2023.
- Ronald Eugene Laman, 57, of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania is charged with attempted solicitation of child pornography and three counts of sexual solicitation of a minor between April 24 and May 2, 2023.
- Michael John Brown, 51, of Frederick is charged with five counts of distribution and 10 counts of possession of child pornography.
- Ruben Alonso Hernandez-Lainez, 27, of Frederick is charged with seconddegree rape and second-degree assault which occurred on Feb 27, 2023.
- Mack Williams, 39, of Frederick is charged with second-degree child abuse, first degree assault, second-degree assault, reckless endangerment and resisting arrest all which happened on May 9, 2023.
- Rontez Norwood Swann, 33, of Frederick is charged with first-degree assault, second-degree assault and reckless endangerment for an incident that occurred on May 10, 2023.
- Eric David Rose, 46, of Frederick is charged with first-degree assault, second-degree assault and reckless endangerment for an incident that occurred on May 4, 2023.
- Daniel Martin Montano, 31, of Frederick is charged with first-degree assault, second-degree assault and a violation against release conditions for a crime of violence which occurred on May 17, 2023.

- John W. Mullican, 25, of Frederick is charged with first-degree assault, second-degree assault and reckless endangerment which happened on May 19, 2023.
- Dewayne A. Green, 40, of Hagerstown is charged with first-degree assault, second-degree assault and 11 counts of violating protective order for events that occurred on May 13, 17, 20, and 21, 2023.

These cases will be heard by the Circuit Court.

https://www.wfmd.com/2023/06/02/frederick-county-grand-jury-returns-11-indictments-3/#:~:text=Logan%20Jay%20Voegtly%2C%2036%2C%20of,9%20and%20July%2020%2C%202022

Lubbock man accused of sexual assault; court records say he 'refused' to stop

by: Caitlyn Rooney

Posted: Nov 27, 2023 / 12:48 PM CST Updated: Nov 27, 2023 / 06:39 PM CST

LUBBOCK, Texas — A Lubbock man, **Luis Aguilar**, 23, was arrested on November 13 and accused of violently sexually assaulting a woman back in June of 2022, according to court records obtained by EverythingLubbock.com on Monday.

Aguilar was arrested in the 5100 block of Aberdeen Avenue, online jail records showed.

Court records stated officers with the Lubbock Police Department were called to the 6300 block of Elgin Avenue on June 1, 2022. Officers met with a victim who said she was sexually assaulted by Aguilar.

According to court records, Aguilar and the victim were friends. The victim told officers Aguilar kept asking her to come to his residence, and she eventually met him in the parking lot of her apartment complex. Court records stated while heading to Aguilar's place, he kept asking the victim to sleep with him. The victim said she told Aguilar she didn't think of him in that way, court records stated.

At one point once inside his home, the victim told police Aguilar grabbed her by the arm and asked her to kiss him, court records said. According to court documents, the victim told Aguilar no, and he aggressively grabbed her by both arms. Court records stated the victim refused again, and Aguilar "grabbed her by the throat" and kissed her. The victim told police she was not able to breathe when Aguilar grabbed her throat.

Once the victim was able to tell Aguilar to stop, he "became more agitated" and placed her in a chokehold, court documents stated. Court documents stated the victim told police Aguilar pinned her down and continued to sexually assault her.

"[The victim] said she continued to tell [Aguilar] to stop, but he refused," court documents stated.

Aguilar was charged with three counts of Sexual Assault. As of Monday afternoon, he remained at the Lubbock County Detention Center on bonds totaling \$375,000.

ttps://www.everythinglubbock.com/news/local-news/lubbock-man-accused-of-sexual-assault-court-records-say-herefused-to-stop/

Four people arrested on various charges in Northwest Arkansas

by NWA Democrat-Gazette | April 28, 2023 at 1:01 a.m.

Arrests
Benton County Sheriff's Office

Jeremy James, 37, of 2217 Beacon Circle in Rogers, was arrested Thursday in connection with aggravated assault on family or household member. James was being held Thursday in the Benton County Jail with no bond set.

Springdale

Harminder Thind, 42, of 129 JTL Parkway in Springdale, was arrested Wednesday in connection with keeping a gambling house. Thind was released Wednesday from the Washington County Detention Center with no bond set.

Pinokio Hartman, 43, of Springdale, was arrested Thursday in connection with aggravated assault. Hartman was being held Thursday in the Washington County Detention Center on \$10,000 bond.

Washington County Sheriff's Office

Lucas Burchard, 20, of 14634 Arkansas 170 South in West Fork, was arrested Wednesday in connection with distributing, possessing or viewing child pornography. Burchard was being released Thursday from the Washington County Detention Center on \$25,000 bond.

https://www.arkansasonline.com/news/2023/apr/28/four-people-arrested-on-various-charges-in/

Bradford County man arrested on child porn charges

by: Carl Aldinger Posted: May 16, 2023 / 10:20 AM EDT

MONROETON, Pa. (<u>WETM</u>) – A Bradford County man has been accused of using his personal Google account to upload and view dozens of photos and videos of child pornography, according to the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office.

Lucas Sibly, 25, was arrested by a Special Agent with the AG's Office on May 11, 2023. According to the affidavit and criminal complaint filed against Sibly, he was allegedly in possession of child porn since May of 2022.

The complaint said that the investigation started in September 2022 when Google alerted the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that Sibly's Google Drive account had nearly 80 files showing sexually explicit images of female children between the ages of 5 and 12 years old. By following a digital paper trail using things like his IP address, his home address, his Google account, and his cell phone, the AG's Office tracked Sibly to his home in Monroeton.

According to the complaint, Sibly allegedly admitted to using a certain site to view child porn, having done so recently. He also acknowledged that his Google account was shut down, presumably because of the files, the affidavit said.

Sibly was charged with 25 counts of the 3rd-degree felony Sexual Abuse of Children (Possession of Child Pornography), two counts of the 2nd-degree felony Sexual Abuse of Children, and one count of Criminal Use of a Communication Facility. He was taken to the Bradford County Correctional Facility on \$350,000 bail. He has a preliminary hearing scheduled for May 24, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

https://www.mytwintiers.com/crime/bradford-county-man-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/

Cleveland Co. Sheriff tip leads to arrest of Newalla man

by: Terré Gables/KFOR

Posted: Jun 6, 2023 / 04:30 PM CDT

NEWALLA, Okla. (KFOR) – Cleveland County Sheriff Department confirms that a tip about child pornography has led to an arrest.

According to investigators, **Luis Jurado-Ruiz** is accused of uploading files to a social media platform. In addition, authorities say the victim in this case appears to be under the age of ten. Deputies say they found evidence during a search of a home in Newalla.

Jail records show Jurado-Ruiz now faces counts of possessing and distributing child pornography.

https://kfor.com/news/local/cleveland-co-sheriff-tip-leads-to-arrest-of-newalla-man/

Pair charged with a multitude of charges connected to child pornography case

Published 4:03 pm Thursday, April 20, 2023 By Eric Johnson

An Austin couple has made their first appearance in Mower County District Court to face numerous charges of child pornography and drugs. **Jose Luis Rodriguez**, 27, of Austin, has been charged with 19 felonies, 17 of which range from dissemination of child pornography to possession of pornographic work that includes minors under 13. Meanwhile, Anna Victoria Gravina, 33, of Austin, has been charged with a total of nine felonies, eight of which are also for dissemination of child pornography and possession.

Both were also charged with felony storing meth paraphernalia in the presence of a child and Rodiguez was charged with a single felony count of fifth degree drug possession. They are currently being held in Mower County Jail with Rodriguez being held on \$250,000 bail, no conditions and Gravina being held on \$150,000 bail, no conditions. According to the court complaint, on March 1, 2022, an Austin Police Department detective received 19 Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC).

The tips indicated that Google had reported a user had uploaded 3,284 files including suspected child sexual abuse to a Google Drive and Photos account beginning in May of 2020. The Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA) issued subpoenas to Google, Sprint, AT&T and Charter for information associated with the uploads, which was allegedly Jose Rodriguez. Files discovered from the various accounts requested that were related to Rodriguez showed several images of child sexual abuse including data allegedly related to an email account of Rodriguez that included six videos and 699 images.

On Dec. 5, the detective secured a search warrant for data related to an email account belonging to Gravina. Several photos were discovered with Rodriguez, but none of them were sexual in nature. However, several files were also discovered from the account included files depicting child sexual abuse. A search of Gravina's Facebook account discovered a message thread with Rodriguez on April 27, 2022, where the two were having a conversation about their relationship. According to the complaint, Gravina said during the conversation "I know now it's a sort of excuse." Later that day Gravina allegedly

sent approximately 45 files including both video and images, many of them featuring illicit files of children. On April 18 of this year, law enforcement conducted a search warrant for a residence located in the 1100 block of Oakland Avenue West in Austin where Rodriguez and Gravina were arrested. Gravina initially denied knowing about the material, but admitted that an old email, one that the detective had searched, had allegedly been hacked and that, "they took stuff through Facebook" and accessed the "dark web." She then allegedly stated that in August of 2022, she gave out her personal information on Facebook and granted access to her account to someone referred to only as "them," in the court complaint followed by her saying that "they" erased her email account and kicked her out of her Facebook account.

She allegedly told the detective that she told Facebook and Google about the hacking, but never got access back. After supposedly getting access to her Google account she said that she found pictures depicting child pornography. However, according to the complaint, Gravina repeatedly changed her story and when asked by the detective if she shared any of the material on her phone, she replied, "I'm not sure, because all my, see all my stuff was still inked into my things." When asked about Rodriguez, Gravina stated that she believed that someone allegedly sent pictures from her Facebook account to Rodriguez's account. Gravina allegedly stated that she and Rodriguez got into a fight about the material and that Rodriguez denied sending the material and that he told her that it was not his fault that her account got hacked. At the jail, though, Gravina requested to speak to the detective again and this time allegedly said that there were times she suspected Rodriguez was accessing the material and that he had said some "concerning" things to her. However, the complaint also says that Gravina did not want to disclose what the defendant said. During a search of the residence, numerous electronic devices including phones and computers were sent to the BCA for forensic examination.

The search also turned up miscellaneous drug paraphernalia in the living room and a bedroom, where two children also lived. Both will be back in court on May 4 for an initial appearance.

https://www.austindailyherald.com/2023/04/pair-charged-with-a-multitude-of-charges-connected-to-child-pornography-case/

Around the Tri States

Tri States Public Radio Published February 17, 2023 at 11:19 AM CST

Teen arrested for child porn

Macomb police arrested a Schaumburg man for allegedly looking at child pornography on a computer.

Luka Urosevic-Abel, 18, is a student at Western Illinois University.

He was arrested at his Macomb residence on Thursday, February 9, and is charged with aggravated child pornography.

https://www.tspr.org/tspr-local/2023-02-17/around-the-tri-states-cause-of-residence-hall-fire-undetermined-grant-to-boost-internet-access-in-four-western-illinois-counties

State Police arrest Schenectady man for possessing Child

NOVEMBER 21, 2023 Press Release

On November 17, 2023, State Police of Princetown, with the assistance of the Troop G Computer Crimes Unit and the Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce, arrested **Malachi X. Fennicks,** 19, of Schenectady, NY, for Promoting a Sexual Performance by a Child, a class "D" felony, and Possessing a Sexual Performance by a Child, a class "E" felony.

Fennicks is accused of promoting and possessing images consistent with child sexual exploitation. His arrest followed an investigation that stemmed from a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Fennicks was transported to SP Princetown, where he was arrested and processed. He was issued an appearance ticket returnable to the Schenectady City Court on November 28, 2023, and released.

 $https://troopers.ny.gov/news/state-police-arrest-schenectady-man-possessing-child-pornography\#: $$\sim:text=Fennicks\%20is\%20accused\%20of\%20promoting, he\%20was\%20arrested\%20and\%20processed $$$

Osage Beach man charged with possession of child pornography

by Jennifer Weiser Thu, June 29th 2023, 4:00 PM EDT

An Osage Beach man has been charged with possession of child pornography.

According to a press release from the Camden County Sheriff's Office, earlier in the month, detectives got a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) that a cell phone user in the county had uploaded explicit pictures to a Verizon iCloud storage account.

With a court-ordered subpoena, detectives were able to get the account owner's information.

That led them to a home on Scout Street in Osage Beach.

They talked to **Manuel Fuentes**, 27. They said he owned the iCloud storage account and the cell phone.

Detectives arrested Fuentes and took him to the Camden County Jail.

Prosecutors charged him with eight counts of Possession of Child Pornography.

He was being held on \$150,000 bond.

https://krcgtv.com/news/local/osage-beach-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography-national-center-formissing-and-exploited-children-manuel-fuentes-scout-street-camden-county-jail-verizon-icloud-storage

HCSO: Suspected criminal activity on Google server leads to child exploitation arrest

By WMBF News Staff

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PM EDT

HORRY COUNTY, S.C. (WMBF) – A Loris man is behind bars after an investigation involving minors, according to the Horry County Sheriff's Office.

The Horry County Sheriff's Office Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force arrested 31-year-old **Marcus Mooney** last week on several charges of sexual exploitation of a minor.

Investigators received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about alleged criminal activity on a Google server, according to the sheriff's office.

Deputies secured a search warrant and took Mooney into custody.

Authorities said he distributed and possessed child sexual abuse material.

He is charged with five counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and two counts of second-degree exploitation of a minor.

Mooney is being held at J. Reuben Long Detention Center under a \$125,000 bond.

The case will be prosecuted by the South Carolina Attorney General's Office. https://www.wmbfnews.com/2023/05/01/suspected-criminal-activity-google-server-leads-child-exploitation-arrest-horry-county/

UPSTATE MEN ARRESTED ON CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE MATERIAL CHARGES

April 20, 2023 Kevin D. Hollis

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) – South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Joshua Adam Kamb, 27, of Easley, S.C., and Marcus Anthony Peters, 22, of Belton, S.C., on 20 total charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Pickens County Sheriff's Office and Anderson County Sheriff's Office made the arrests in these unrelated cases. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office and Homeland Security Investigations, both also members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with this investigation.

Investigators received CyberTipline reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to both Kamb and Peters. Investigators state Kamb and Peters distributed files of child sexual abuse material.

Kamb was arrested on April 12, 2023. He is charged with 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

Peters was arrested on April 14, 2023. He is charged with 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

The case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

Kamb remains in custody at the Pickens County Detention Center on a combined \$100,000 bond, while jail records from Anderson County indicate Marcus Peters has been released on bond.

https://wsnwradio.com/upstate-men-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges/

Spring man arrested after deputies find evidence of child porn during search warrant, Pct. 4 says

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

HARRIS COUNTY, Texas (KTRK) -- A 45-year-old man was arrested for child pornography in Spring last week, according to Harris County Precinct 4 Constable's Office.

Marcus Wells faces two counts of possession of child pornography after evidence was recovered during a search warrant in the 4100 block of Bridgeland Lane. His bond has been set at \$150,000.

Deputies found the evidence from online accounts and several electronic devices in Wells' home.

Additionally, officers discovered several pairs of child female underwear in the home.

All items were seized as evidence, and Wells was taken to the Harris County Jail, officials said.

https://abc13.com/spring-man-arrested-child-pornography-marcus-wells-arrest-harris-county/13890375/

Bakersfield man arrested following child sex abuse investigation

Mark Bellino was arrested for "uploading child sexual abuse material and possession of child sexual abuse material."

By: Anthony Wright, 23ABC Posted at 11:13 AM, May 01, 2023 and last updated 2:13 PM, May 01, 2023

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. (KERO) — A 66-year-old Bakersfield man was arrested Sunday following an Internet Crimes Against Children investigation.

According to the Bakersfield Police Department, officers executed a search warrant at a residence in the 300 block of E Street at around 7 a.m. **Mark Bellino** was arrested for "uploading child sexual abuse material and possession of child sexual abuse material."

Assisting in the search were Homeland Security Investigations and the United States Secret Service.

"The Bakersfield Police Department is part of the ICAC Task Force, a national network of 61 coordinated task forces representing federal, state, and local law enforcement, investigating and developing effective responses to internet crimes against children," said a statement released by the BPD.

This is an ongoing investigation. Anyone with information regarding this offense is encouraged to contact the Bakersfield Police Department at (661) 327-7111. https://www.turnto23.com/news/local-news/bakersfield-man-arrested-following-child-sex-abuse-investigation

Franklin Co. man arrested for possession of child pornography

Kevin Green, Greensburg Daily News, Ind. February 13, 2023

Feb. 13—FRANKLIN COUNTY — Friday, Troopers from the Indiana State Police-Versailles Post arrested a Brookville man on charges of possession of child pornography after serving a search warrant on his Franklin County home.

According to a news release from the Indiana State Police Versailles Post, the investigation by Trooper Vincent Scott began in July 2022 after receiving a cybertip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Trp. Scott and detectives from the Indiana Crimes Against Children Task Force determined that images depicting child pornography had been downloaded by a resident located on Catfish Lane in Brookville.

Trp. Scott applied for and received a search warrant which was served on the residence Friday.

While at the home, troopers determined that a resident, **Mark A. Kolb**, 54, was in possession of numerous images depicting child pornography.

Kolb was arrested and transported to the Franklin County Jail where he was incarcerated on initial charges of possession of child pornography, a Level 5 felony.

Kolb will soon make an initial appearance in the Franklin County Circuit Court.

The Franklin County Sheriff's Department assisted in the investigation. https://sports.yahoo.com/franklin-co-man-arrested-possession-011600277.html

42-year-old Syracuse man charged for child porn

by: Clare Normoyle Posted: May 19, 2023 / 11:19 AM EDT

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (WSYR-TV) — Following a seven-month investigation, Onondaga County Sheriff's detectives arrested 42-year-old **Mark Lando**, of Syracuse, for possession of child pornography.

Lando was charged with:

2 counts of Promoting a Sexual Performance by a Child 2 counts of Possession of a Sexual Performance by a Child

The investigation into Lando began with an Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program cyber tip, says police.

Detectives then issued a search warrant of Landon's home, where they found his laptop, cell phones, and other evidence that furthered the investigation. https://www.localsyr.com/news/local-news/42-year-old-syracuse-man-charged-for-child-porn/

Docs: Bloomington man arrested after downloading child pornography

by: David Gay

Updated: Nov 16, 2023 / 12:15 PM EST

MONROE COUNTY, Ind. — A Bloomington man has been arrested after police found that he was reportedly downloading dozens of child pornography files to a Google account.

According to court documents, filed on Wednesday in Monroe County, 28-year-old **Mark Lashay** was charged with one count of possession of child pornography, a Level 5 felony.

In early August, detectives with the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department, as well as the state's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, received five cyber tips from Google reporting the uploading of multiple suspected child pornography files to a Google account linked to Lashay in June.

After a search warrant for the files was granted, court documents stated that the files were confirmed by police as child pornography. Files included videos of a nude adult male performing sexual acts on a prepubescent female child.

After police discovered Lashay had an active arrest warrant for a felony intimidation charge in Monroe County, they tracked him to an apartment in Clayton through an IP address, according to court documents.

On Tuesday, IMPD detectives conducted a search of the apartment where they found Lashay. The documents said Lashay was detained without incident. The leaseholder of the apartment said that Lashay was a friend and had been staying with them for two months. During a search of the apartment, police seized two cell phones linked to Lashay.

In an interview with police, Lashay reportedly acknowledged he received child pornography through a weblink and downloaded it to his phone. He claimed the downloads occurred when he was high on methamphetamine.

According to court records, an initial hearing for Lashay in relation to this case was scheduled for Thursday afternoon.

https://fox59.com/news/indycrime/docs-bloomington-man-arrested-after-downloading-child-pornography/#:~:text=%E2%80%94%20A%20Bloomington%20man%20has%20been,pornography%2C%20a%20Level%205%20felony

Cybertip leads to arrest for child sexual exploitation

Published 11:56 am Thursday, January 12, 2023 By Mike Barnhardt

A cybertip from the N.C. Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force led to the arrest of a Mocksville man on Wednesday night. The Davie County Sheriff's Office received the tip that child sexual abuse materials were being distributed from 541 Ben Anderson Road. At 7:30 that evening, sheriff's deputies and detectives served a search warrant on the residencer, and seized 13 electronic devices.

Mark Andrew Rosensteel, 62, was charged with two counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor. He was taken into custody in lieu of a \$50,000 bond. "The investigation is continuing, and more criminal charges are anticipated," said Sheriff's Chief Deputy Brian Jacobs.

Anyone with additional information is asked to call Det. Sgt. Bolin at 336-936-2985 or leave a tip at https://davie-so-nc.zuercherportal/#.submit_tip. https://www.ourdavie.com/2023/01/12/cybertip-leads-to-arrest-for-child-sexual-exploitation/

South Jersey Man Arrested For Child Pornography

A 42-year-old man from Cape May County has been arrested on child pornography charges, authorities said.

John Craig 06/09/2023

Mark Jeffrey Wieland, of Dennis Township was arrested on May 30, according to Cape May County Prosecutor, Jeffrey H. Sutherland and the New Jersey State Police.

This investigation stemmed from a National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (N.C.M.E.C.) CyberTip that revealed an unidentified subject, subsequently identified as Wieland, who downloaded various images of child sexual abuse material, Sutherland said.

The investigation was concluded as a result of the execution of a courtauthorized search warrant on Wieland's residence, Sutherland said.

Multiple computers and cellphones were seized from the residence pending further analysis.

Weiland was being held in the Cape May County Correctional Center pending court proceedings.

https://dailyvoice.com/new-jersey/cape-may/south-jersey-man-arrested-for-child-pornography/

Jail for teacher who sexually abused teenage pupil

25 September 2023

A science and technology teacher from North Yorkshire who sexually assaulted one of his pupils has been sentenced to more than nine years.

The National Crime Agency launched an investigation in November 2021, when Google sent a report of a user storing child abuse material on their platform via the National Center of Missing and Exploited Children in the US.

After NCA investigators identified the user as **Mark Langford**, 55, they immediately moved in to arrest him at his then address in Beccles, Suffolk.

Further enquiries established that he had groomed and sexually abused a 15-year-old pupil he taught at a school in Lowestoft between 2004 and 2006.

NCA officers recovered a letter Langford wrote to the victim in April last year, instructing her on what to say if the investigating officer questioned her regarding his offending.

He said: "Before you talk to him, please remember that it is his job to convict me – please do not give him any accidental ammunition against me. You can tell him you know I'm a porn addict, and that I was arrested for having indecent images of children. Don't forget the "arrested for" bit – don't say I did it, or that I confessed to you, because that might drag you into court as a witness. I don't know if it will, but that's not a question I dare ask him."

Before being arrested Langford told officers: "It's all in there, I know what you're looking for, I've made a mistake and ruined everything".

Five of his devices were forensically examined and found to contain a total of 2,718 indecent images of children in categories A-C (A being the most severe). A further 199 prohibited images and 109 extreme images were also found.

Langford had exchanged images on various peer to peer sites and accessed a cloud-based storage platform used by paedophiles to trade child sexual abuse material.

Officers also recovered a number of online chat logs in which he spoke with other likeminded individuals about sexual abuse.

These included conversations about child rape, encouraging others to sexually abuse their children and the levels of pain and humiliation that needed to be inflicted on women and children to satisfy his sexual demands. He also gave tips to others on where to find child sexual abuse material online.

Langford taught at Suffolk and Norfolk secondary schools from 1996 until just after his arrest, at which point he was employed by a free schools trust which runs schools in Beccles, Bury St Edmunds and Saxmundham.

He appeared at Ipswich Crown Court on 10 July this year where he pleaded guilty to a number of charges including indecent assault, indecency with a child, perverting the cause of justice, indecent images of children offences (making, possession and distribution) and possession of extreme pornographic images.

Langford was sentenced to nine years and two months imprisonment and given an indefinite sexual harm prevention order at the same court today (25 September).

In an impact statement read before the court, the victim said: "His manipulation, deceit and devious nature unnerves me as he is not the man he presented himself as for many years.

"What Mark needs to grasp is that I am thoroughly appalled and disgusted by his actions and haunted by the abuse I suffered at his hands...He disgusts me to the core and I am haunted by nightmares of the confessions he told me.

"I still feel I am carrying around his filthy secret that he expected me to keep for him. This repulses me that he thought I would prevent the course of justice ...

"I am appalled, insulted and disgusted by everything he has told me and these confessions will stay with me for a long time. He has not only abused my body but my mind too."

NCA Operations Manager Holly Triggs said: "Mark Langford was a cowardly and scheming offender.

"Not only did he abuse his position of trust, he asked his victim to stay quiet about his offending and the horrific conversations he had with other paedophiles online.

"The NCA works relentlessly to protect children from sexual abuse and ensure that those who abuse them face justice."

Langford was dismissed by his employer in January last year.

https://www.nationalcrimeagency.gov.uk/news/jail-for-teacher-who-sexually-abused-teenage-pupil#:~:text=Langford%20was%20sentenced%20to%20nine,court%20today%20(25%20September).

Naples man accused of soliciting sex from two children over social media

Luis Zambrano Fort Myers News-Press May 10, 2023

Collier County Sheriff's deputies have arrested 24-year-old Naples man on more than a dozen child pornography charges

Martin Salinas is facing several charges including transmitting child pornography and soliciting two children for sex over social media, the sheriff's office reports.

He was arrested on Tuesday at his home in Naples.

A Collier County Sheriff's Office investigation began after receiving tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The investigation found that Salinas was transmitting child pornography using Snapchat and Instagram at his home.

Salinas solicited sex from one of the victims over Instagram. He took control of her Instagram account and used her identity to transmit pornographic images of her to the other child victim, whom he also solicited for sex.

The investigation is ongoing and additional charges are expected following a search warrant of Salinas' residence Tuesday, officials said.

A preliminary forensic review of one of Salinas' cell phones found numerous files of child pornography, including one of his victims.

Salinas remains in custody in the Collier County jail and is expected to appear in court on June 5.

https://www.naplesnews.com/story/news/crime/2023/05/10/naples-man-faces-over-a-dozen-child-phonography-charges/70204673007/

St. Peters man sentenced on child porn charge

by: Kevin S. Held

Posted: Feb 2, 2023 / 05:18 PM CST

ST. LOUIS – A man from St. Peters, Missouri, was sentenced Thursday to five and a half years in federal prison on a child pornography charge.

According to court documents, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received a tip in August 2020 that **Martin Smith** was uploading multiple files containing illicit material.

Prosecutors with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Missouri said Smith, 58, later admitted to investigators that he'd viewed and downloaded child porn from the internet, and had been doing so for over a year at the time of questioning.

Smith had 2,561 images and 13 videos depicting child porn on two cellphones and a tablet. In November 2022, he pleaded guilty to one count of possession of child pornography.

https://fox2now.com/news/missouri/st-peters-man-sentenced-on-child-porn-charge/

Watsonville police seek more victims in child luring case

By JESSICA A. YORK Santa Cruz Sentinel PUBLISHED: July 20, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. | UPDATED: July 20, 2023 at 4:30 p.m

WATSONVILLE — Detectives are opening up an underage-sex case to the public in an effort to determine the existence of additional victims.

Watsonville police arrested **Martin Cruz Diaz** on June 6 on several felony charges while he was out on bail during a 2022 child sex crimes case.

In his new case, Cruz Diaz, a forklift operator who is a 26-year-old Watsonville resident, allegedly posed as an 18-year-old on social media to enter into a sexual relationship with a 14-year-old girl.

"Our ongoing investigation has led us to believe there may be additional victims," a Watsonville Police Department representative posted to the agency's social media.

Cruz Diaz pleaded not guilty during his July 10 arraignment to felony charges of committing a lewd act with a child 10 or older, unlawful sexual intercourse, arranging to meet a minor with lewd purposes and communicating with a minor for a lewd act, according to court records.

In September, he was arrested and charged with felony charges of distributing obscene matter, possessing obscene matter and two counts of attempting to contact a minor for sexual relations, to which he also had pleaded not guilty, according to court records.

https://www.santacruzsentinel.com/2023/07/20/watsonville-police-seek-more-victims-in-child-luring-case/

College Station man charged with possession of child pornography

Kyle McClenagan Dec 11, 2023

A College Station man was arrested Friday on a warrant out of Pflugerville for possession of child pornography, according to the Brazos County Sheriff's Office.

Marvin Dawson, 33, has been charged with four counts of possession of child pornography, according to Brazos County Jail records.

On Friday, the Brazos County Sheriff's Office arrested Dawson on behalf of the Pflugerville Police Department.

After being taken into custody, officers said Dawson admitted to having child pornography on a secret phone that was in a black backpack inside his residence. Dawson gave police the password and police began searching the phone via the search warrant they had received for his arrest, officers said.

On the phone, several videos depicting or simulating child pornography were found, police said. This evidence resulted in the additional three charges, not including the Pflugerville warrant.

Possession of child pornography is a federal felony punishable by up to life in prison and a maximum fine of \$250,000.

Dawson is being held under a \$95,000 bond in Brazos County, according to jail records.

 $https://theeagle.com/news/local/crime-courts/college-station-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography/article_8ae45a58-984b-11ee-af0e-33170c677121.html$

Pekin disc jockey charged in Peoria with child pornography

By 25News Now

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PEORIA (25News Now) - A Pekin man who works as a local disc jockey is free from jail after posting bond on a charge alleging he was in possession of child pornography.

Peoria Police arrested Mason Stoor, 25, on Thursday.

Court records say on or about Sept. 5 of last year, Stoor was in possession of images showing pornography involving people he knew or should have known were younger than 18.

The charge against Stoor is a Class 2 felony carrying a prison sentence of three-to-seven years if he's convicted. Stoor could also be given probation if he's found guilty.

Peoria County Judge Sean Donahue set bond at \$10,000. Court records show Stoor paid 10% of the bond, or \$1.000, to be released from jail.

He's scheduled to appear in court again on June 22. https://www.25newsnow.com/2023/05/26/pekin-disc-jockey-charged-peoria-with-child-pornography/

Two Men Collared for Felony Sex Crimes against Minors in Josephine County

Posted on 7/27/23 6:51AM by Sam Marsh

Two men were jailed for felony-level sex crimes involving minors in Josephine County over the past five days.

Josephine County Jail records show the first incident occurred last Saturday when 27-year-old **Mason Garrett Webster** was arrested by an unspecified local agency.

Webster was charged with 1st- and 2nd-Degree Encouraging Child Sex Abuse, which are both felonies. He was still in custody without bail on Wednesday.

The second incident happened Wednesday morning when 59-year-old Brian Scott Arney was arrested by the Oregon State Police.

Arney was charged with 11 counts of 1st-Degree Encouraging Child Sex Abuse. He was also being held without bail.

It was not disclosed whether the two arrests were related. No information was provided by the arresting agencies.

https://www.kajo.com/news/news_story.php?subaction=showfull&id=1690437079&ucat=2&template=KAJO17Column&

Port Townsend, Washington, man arrested for creating images of child sexual abuse

Friday, October 13, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Western District of Washington

Registered Sex Offender allegedly traded images of sexual abuse of a toddler over Kik messaging platform

Tacoma – A 32-year-old Port Townsend, Washington man was arrested yesterday on a criminal complaint charging him with production of images of child sexual abuse, announced Acting U.S. Attorney Tessa M. Gorman. **Matan Liyor Goodman** is scheduled to appear in U.S. District Court in Tacoma at 2:00 PM today.

According to records filed in the case, the investigation began with a report to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) that a user of Kik Messenger had uploaded suspected images of child sexual abuse. Review of the computer records indicated the person uploading the images resided in Western Washington and the information was forwarded to the Internet Crimes against Children Task Force at the Seattle Police Department.

An agent with Homeland Security Investigations connected the computer information with Goodman at an address in Port Townsend. Further investigation revealed that Goodman is a registered sex offender due to convictions in California.

Law enforcement obtained a judicially approved search warrant to search Goodman's home and person, including any electronic devices belonging to him.

Following the search, Goodman was taken into federal custody on probable cause.

The charges contained in the complaint are only allegations. A person is presumed innocent unless and until he or she is proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

Due to his prior convictions, Goodman faces a mandatory minimum 25 years in prison if convicted of Production of child pornography.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by United States Attorneys= Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.

The case is being investigated by Homeland Security Investigations in partnership with the Seattle Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC), with assistance from the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Victoria Cantore and Matthew Hampton.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-wdwa/pr/port-townsend-washington-man-arrested-creating-images-child-sexual-abuse

Immokalee man accused of child molestation and possessing child pornography

Writer: Carolina Guzman

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An Immokalee man is behind bars on child pornography and molestation charges after an eight-month investigation by the Southwest Florida INTERCEPT Task Force.

Mateo Castaneida Deigo-Francisco, 20, is in the Collier County jail charged with eight counts of possession of child pornography, three counts of transmission of child pornography, and one count of lewd and lascivious molestation on a victim younger than 12.

The task force started its investigation in January after receiving a cyber tip from Google regarding the suspected transmission of child pornography.

On Tuesday, the Collier County Sheriff's Office executed a search warrant at Deigo-Francisco's residence.

During the search, detectives found videos with sexually explicit images of children on his cell phone and hundreds of bestiality images on a computer tablet.

Detectives interviewed Deigo-Francisco at his residence and discovered he had molestated a young child.

https://winknews.com/2023/10/25/immokalee-man-arrested-and-accused-of-molestation-child-porn/

Smithfield Man Indicted On Charges Of Child Sexual Exploitation

Prosecutors say 35-year-old Mathew Hoard was charged in a five-count indictment and ordered detained.

Annie Sandoli, Patch Staff Posted Thu, May 20, 2021 at 12:06 pm ET

SMITHFIELD, RI — A registered sex offender living in Smithfield was indicted by a federal grand jury Tuesday on multiple child sexual exploitation charges, said U.S. Attorney Richard B. Myrus in a news release.

Prosecutors say **Mathew Hoard**, 35, was charged in a five-count indictment with Attempted Enticement of A Minor to Engage in Criminal Sexual Activity, Attempted Transfer of Obscene Material to a Minor, Distribution and Possession of Child Pornography, and Committing Offenses While Required to Register as a Sex Offender.

According to court documents, Hoard was convicted of child pornography in Rhode Island Superior Court in 2010. He was sentenced to five years of probation and required to register as a sex offender.

Information received by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and investigated by the State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) revealed that Hoard uploaded child pornography to social media in February 2020. Another ICAC investigation caught Hoard communicating online with an individual he believed to be a 14-year-old girl.

During that communication, investigators say Hoard sent obscene images to the 14-year-old, requested nude images, said he wanted to marry her, and repeatedly asked her to meet for sex. Court-authorized searches also discovered child pornography and other evidence on electronic devices owned by Hoard.

Police say Hoard was arrested Tuesday and ordered detained following his initial court appearance. If convicted as charges, he faces a mandatory minimum sentence of 15 years in federal prison.

https://patch.com/rhode-island/smithfield/smithfield-man-indicted-charges-child-sexual-exploitation

Fletcher man sentenced to jail, community control in child pornography case

CRIME & LAW By Nancy Bowman July 19, 2023

TROY - A Fletcher man convicted of pandering obscenity involving juveniles was sentenced to community control and six months in the county jail.

Matthew Blevins, 33, was sentenced on four felony charges of pandering obscenity involving juveniles in Miami County Common Pleas Court.

Blevins was accused of recording, reproducing or publishing material featuring a minor in sexual activity in January. The material did not involve identifiable juveniles, county prosecutors said.

Judge Stacy Wall said the illegal activity on computer was found by federal investigators, who notified local law enforcement. The federal investigators reported the activity took place over three years. The materials viewed involved girls as young as five, Wall said. Asked why he started watching the pornography, Blevins replied it was because of "curiosity."

Wall sentenced him to five years of community control, treatment, a mental health assessment and to have no internet access and no unsupervised visits with minors. Blevins also was ordered to serve six months in the county jail.

He was classified as a Tier II sex offender. The designation will require him to register his address with the sheriff in the county where he lives every 180 days for 25 years.

https://www.daytondailynews.com/crime/fletcher-man-sentenced-to-jail-community-control-in-child-pornography-case/LZ3X6PDV4ZF4LAP4BOFFLUESFE/

Port Charlotte man faces more than 20 child pornography charges

By ABC7 Staff

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PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. (WWSB) - **Matthew Cade**, of Port Charlotte, was arrested on Friday and charged with more than 20 counts related to child pornography.

Charlotte County detectives along with members of the FBI Child Exploitation and Human Trafficking Task Force, were made aware of the potential illicit material through cyber-tips, which led to the investigation of Cade.

On Oct. 12, detectives met with Cade at his residence. Cade agreed to speak with the detectives, and admitted to viewing and downloading pornographic content of children for over two years.

Following this confession, a laptop and cellphone belonging to Cade were seized for forensic examination. As a result, detectives located approximately 1,000 videos which depicted child pornography.

The age range of the children included infants through approximately eight years old.

Cade was arrested and is being held at the Charlotte County Jail on a total bond of \$770,000.

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Merrill man charged with 16 counts of possessing child pornography

By Heather Poltrock Published: Aug. 22, 2022 at 3:45 PM EDT

MERRILL, Wis. (WSAW) - Bond has been set at \$50,000 cash for a 27-year-old Merrill man accused of possessing child pornography.

Matthew Czarnecki was charged Monday in Lincoln County Circuit Court with 16 counts.

Court documents state Czarnecki admitted he exchanged pornography images which included images of children as young as 12 years old using Kik. Kik is a mobile messaging app, however, there is a way to use it on desktop computers.

The Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force alerted Merrill Police to the alleged crime. The investigation began in May. Investigators needed to obtain a subpoena for the IP address for the kik user.

Police arrested Czarnekci in Rothschild on Aug. 19. Authorities said Czarnecki admitted to receiving, viewing and sending videos that contained child pornography.

A clerical court appearance for Czarnecki has been set for Sept. 8. https://www.wsaw.com/2022/08/22/merrill-man-charged-with-16-counts-possessing-child-pornography/

PSP: Child predator sting results in 26 arrests

Nico Rossi and Madonna Mantione July 18, 2023

HANOVER TOWNSHIP, LUZERNE COUNTY (WBRE/WYOU) — Pennsylvania State Police announced a three-month online predator sting which resulted in the arrests of 26 people.

State Troopers held a press conference (watch below) on Tuesday in regard to the results of "Operation Safe Screen," at PSP Troop P Wilkes-Barre Barracks, 2001 South Valley Parkway, in Hanover Township.

"Operation Safe Screen" was a coordinated effort between multiple law enforcement agencies and the Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce (ICAC) dedicated to locating online child predators in numerous Northeastern and Northcentral PA counties.

The stated main objectives of Operation Safe Screen included undercover online chatting with child sexual predators and coordinating an in-person meeting, locating possessors of child sexual abuse material files, and locating absconders of Megan's Law registration requirements, from April to June of this year.

According to Major Michael Carroll, Operation Safe Screen resulted in 26 arrests, 1800 counts of felony charges, 15 websites taken offline for showing child pornography, and many victims were identified and cared for as well.

"Operation Safe Screen was a multi-agency initiative formed to seek out predators who groom our youth, luring them into a situation where they could be exploited sexually," added Major Carroll.

The operation also focused on individuals who produce and share child pornography.

The results of Operation Safe Screen are listed below:

 Daniel Gonzales, 43, (DOB 04/12/1980) was arrested on 04/21/2023 in Lackawanna County and charged with 110 counts of felony possession of child pornography, 50 felony counts of dissemination of child pornography, and one felony count of criminal use of a communication facility.

- Matthew Egbert, 46, (DOB 05/23/1977) was arrested on 05/02/2023 in Lehigh County and charged with 20 felony counts of possession of child pornography, manufacturing child pornography, and criminal use of a communication facility.
- Lucas Sibly, 25, (DOB 04/09/1998) was arrested on 05/11/2023 in Bradford County and charged with 27 felony counts of possession of child pornography and criminal use of a communication facility.
- Jay Holloway, 35, (DOB 09/16/1987) was arrested on 05/17/2023 in Bradford County and charged with 100 felony counts of possession of child pornography and criminal use of a communication facility.
- Faiz Waiguchu, 23, (DOB 07/14/2000) was arrested on 06/13/2023 in Monroe County and charged with 35 felony counts of possession of child pornography and criminal use of a communication facility.
- Brett Scranta, 25, (DOB 07/07/1998) was arrested on 06/14/2023 in Wyoming County and charged with 9 felony counts of possession of child pornography and criminal use of a communication facility.
- Andrew Neafie,54, (DOB 03/26/1969) was arrested on 04/20/2023 in Luzerne County and charged with 8 felony counts of dissemination of child pornography, 1,000 felony counts of possession of child pornography, and 2 counts of criminal use of a communication facility.
- Nicholas Counterman, 25, (DOB 11/07/1997) was arrested on 05/03/2023 in Wayne County and charged with felony possession of child pornography and criminal use of a communication facility.
- Damian Kavalkovich, 20, (DOB 11/01/2002) was arrested on 06/13/2023 in Wayne County and charged with felony dissemination of child pornography, felony possession of child pornography, and felony criminal use of a communication facility.
- Jahzier Fuller, 19, (DOB 03/15/2004) was arrested on 06/20/2023 in Northampton County and charged with 69 felony counts of dissemination of child pornography, 69 felony counts of possession of child pornography, and felony criminal use of a communication facility.
- Logan McCracken, 35, (DOB 03/07/1988) was arrested on 06/09/2023 in Northumberland County and charged with felony counts of dissemination of child pornography, possession of child pornography, and criminal use of a communication facility.
- Barry Hartman,59, (DOB 10/26/1963) was arrested on 07/11/2023 in Columbia County and charged with felony dissemination of child pornography, 2 felony counts of possession of child pornography, and felony criminal use of a communication facility.
- Patrick Lange, 18, (DOB 01/08/1995) was arrested on 04/27/2023 in Lackawanna County and charged with 2 felony counts of possession of child pornography and criminal use of a communication facility.

- James Maxwell, 55, (DOB 05/11/1968) was arrested on 05/17/2023 in Bradford County and charged with felony dissemination of child pornography, 22 felony counts of possession of child pornography, and felony criminal use of a communication facility.
- Robert Steinbacher, 85, (DOB 02/20/1938) was arrested on 06/08/2023 in Lycoming County and charged with 100 felony counts of possession of child pornography.
- Brendan Stepp, 25, (DOB 05/19/1998) was arrested on 05/18/2023 in Northumberland County and charged with 3 felony counts of dissemination of child pornography and 4 counts of felony possession of child pornography.
- James Torbik, 46, (DOB 05/04/1977) was arrested on 04/17/2023 in Luzerne County and charged with felony dissemination of child pornography, 3 felony counts of possession of child pornography F3, and felony criminal use of a communication facility.
- Nyiem Bibbs, 22, (DOB 11/23/2000) was arrested on 05/02/2023 in Luzerne County and charged with felony counts of statutory sexual assault and corruption of minors.
- Bruce Myers, 60, (DOB 12/24/1962) was arrested on 05/04/2023 in Luzerne County and charged with 2 felony counts of possession of child pornography, felony criminal use of a communication facility, 4 felony counts of endangering the welfare of children, and 4 counts of recklessly endangering another person.
- Cheryl Myers, 57, (DOB 01/20/1966) was arrested on 05/04/2023 in Luzerne County and charged with 4 felony counts of endangering the welfare of children and 4 counts of recklessly endangering another person.
- Joseph Dowd, 46, (DOB 08/13/1976) was arrested on 05/12/2023 in Luzerne County and charged with 27 felony counts of possession of child pornography and felony criminal use of a communication facility.
- James Casher, 38, (DOB 08/14/1984) was arrested in Tioga County and charged with possession of child pornography, enticement, and receipt of child pornography.
- Four juveniles, not listed above, were also arrested as a result of Operation Safe Screen.

"These results are alarming, it highlights the need for parents and guardians to be vigilant. You need to know who your children are talking to online," said Major Carroll.

Sargeant Ken Bellas, the Commander of the ICAC Task Force emphasized the importance of these operations and discussed Operation Cyber Tipline Reports,

where the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children sends PSP tips through companies that monitor cyber activity.

"Before the pandemic, all of Pennsylvania was getting five to six thousand reports a year, and in such a short time since the pandemic we already received 15,000 tips for the year," explained Sargent Bellas. https://www.abc27.com/news/top-stories/psp-child-predator-sting-results-in-26-arrests/amp/

Woonsocket Registered Sex Offender Facing Child Pornography Charge

Prosecutors say Matthew Hathaway, 25, of Woonsocket, was caught with 7,984 images and 192 videos of sexual abuse towards children.

Jimmy Bentley, Patch Staff Posted Tue, May 23, 2023 at 2:33 pm ET

WOONSOCKET, RI — A registered sex offender from Woonsocket was charged in federal court in Providence Friday after prosecutors said he was caught with more than 8,000 images and videos of child pornography.

Matthew Hathaway, 25, was charged with possessing and accessing with intent to view child pornography.

According to court documents, Rhode Island State Police got a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that an IP address, later determined to originate from a Hathaway's home, was being used to possess and transfer child pornography.

On March 16, state police searched Hathaway's home and seized a desktop computer and cell phone belonging to Hathaway. Prosecutors said a forensic audit of the electronic devices by U.S. Homeland Security investigators revealed the devices contained 7,984 images and 192 videos of sexual abuse towards children.

https://patch.com/rhode-island/woonsocket/woonsocket-register-sex-offender-facing-child-pornography-charge

Lowcountry Men Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Brian James Hartung, 32, of Mount Pleasant, S.C., and **Matthew Iray Thaddie Myers**, 33, of Reevesville, S.C., on nine total charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Mount Pleasant Police Department and Dorchester County Sheriff's Office made the arrests in these unrelated cases. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office, also a member of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with these investigations.

Investigators received CyberTipline reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to both Hartung and Myers. Investigators state Hartung possessed child sexual abuse material and Myers distributed files of child sexual abuse material.

Hartung was arrested on October 30, 2023. He is charged with five counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, third degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

Myers was arrested on October 26, 2023. He is charged with four counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

Both of these cases will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

* Child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, is a more accurate reflection of the material involved in these heinous and abusive crimes. "Pornography" can imply the child was a consenting participant. Globally, the term child pornography is being replaced by CSAM for this reason.

https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/lowcountry-men-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges-4/#:~:text=Myers%20was%20arrested%20on%20October,by%20the%20Attorney%20General's%20Office.

Lexington man encouraged 15-year-old to make 'sexually explicit material,' sheriff's office says

By Emily Mikkelson

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DAVIDSON COUNTY, N.C. (WGHP) — A Davidson County man has been charged after being accused of sexual exploitation by Michigan State Police.

According to the Davidson County Sheriff's Office, on March 27 detectives got a report from the Michigan State Police about a case of child exploitation. The sheriff's office says that the MSP learned that a 15-year-old girl had been sexually exploited by 33-year-old **Matthew Roberts** of Lexington.

The sheriff's office reviewed the report and executed a search warrant at Roberts's home on April 14, seizing digital devices. They say that they found that Roberts encouraged the 15-year-old to produce "sexually explicit material" from October 2022 to January.

He was charged with six counts of 1st-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and one count of indecent liberties with a minor.

https://myfox8.com/news/north-carolina/piedmont-triad/lexington-man-encouraged-15-year-old-to-make-sexually-explicit-material-sheriffs-office-says/

Former Carbon candidate charged with child porn

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A former Penn Forest Township auditor and candidate for state representative was charged in a child pornography investigation, Lehigh County District Attorney Jim Martin and South Whitehall Township Police Chief Glen Dorney announced Wednesday.

Matthew Christopher Schutter, 53, of South Whitehall Township, is charged with 20 counts each of sexual abuse of children – possession of child pornography first offense and criminal use of a communications facility; both third degree felonies.

Schutter was taken into custoday at his home today without incident. He will be arraigned at the Central Booking Center later today.

On June 2, Google Inc. identified two child sex assault videos on their servers and filed cyber tips with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The tip included that the videos were uploaded by an email address associated with Schutter and Googlee provided additional details identifying Schutter as the owner of the account.

The investigation revealed that the videos were traced to Schutter's account. A Search warrant was served Aug. 21 at Schutter's home and a tablet and cellphone that belonged to Schutter were analyzed by detectives at The Officer David M. Petzold Memorial Digital Forensics Laboratory of lehigh County of DeSales University.

The investigation revealed additional child pornography images and videos on the devices that belong to Schutter.

He was a candidate for Penn Forest supervisor in 2011, Jim Thorpe School Board in 2013, Carbon County Sheriff in 2015; state representative in 2016; and Jim Thorpe School Board in 2017. He was elected to Penn Forest auditor in 2013 and seved until he left the area in 2018.

Schutter ran as a Libertarian candidate for South Whitehall commissioner in 2021 and state representative in 2022.

He's been charged with numerous prior offenses, mostly for disorderly conduct and related offenses. He pleaded guilty to assaulting a Carbon county detective in 2016.

In 2020, he was removed from a Lehigh County meeting for causing a disruption.

Martin commended county Detectives Michael Millan, Scott McCulloch and Robert Toronzi for their work on the case.

 $https://www.tnonline.com/20231129/former-carbon-candidate-charged-with-child-porn/\#: $$\sim:text=Matthew%20Christopher%20Schutter%2C%2053%2C%20of, his%20home%20today%20without%20in cident.$

DeKalb County man indicted on 42 child porn possession charges

By Josh Rayburn Mar 15, 2022 Updated Mar 16, 2022

The DeKalb County man has been indicted on 42 counts of possession of child pornography.

Matthew Austin Scott, 28, of Sylvania was indicted by the DeKalb County Grand Jury. Details of his alleged crimes have not been released.

His bond was set at \$400,000, according to the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office. https://www.waaytv.com/news/dekalb-county-man-indicted-on-42-child-porn-possession-charges/article_049cfbec-a484-11ec-bb9a-abcd610d1024.html

Ottawa County man arrested on child obscenity charges

News-Messenger/News Herald USA Today Network of Ohio Updated 10:12 a.m. ET Feb. 13, 2023

PORT CLINTON - The Ottawa County Sheriff's Office and Ottawa County SWAT team took **Matthew Shiffert**, 29, into custody on Friday on charges related to obscenity involving a minor.

Shiffert was transported to the county jail and charged with and four counts of pandering obscenity involving a minor, a second-degree felony, and one count of failure to register, a fourth-degree felony, according to a news release from the sheriff's detective bureau.

Shiffert is a registered sex offender in Ottawa County. He pleaded guilty in 2019 to 15 counts of illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material and four counts of pandering sexually oriented matter involving a minor, the News Herald previously reported.

He was sentenced in 2019 to serve up to 180 days in the Community Corrections Center of Lebanon and three years of community control.

As part of the 2019 sentence, Shiffert is required to register as a Tier 2 sex offender with the sheriff's office every six months for a period of 25 years and is not allowed to live within 1,000 feet of a school, preschool or daycare premises.

Shiffert's arrest Friday came after a search warrant was executed at a residence at 19535 W. Moline Martin Road in Martin.

The sheriff's office said the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) received information in January and conducted an investigation into crimes against children in Ottawa County.

The search warrant led to the seizure of multiple electronic devices involving information received by ICAC.

https://www.thenews-messenger.com/story/news/local/2023/02/13/ottawa-county-man-arrested-on-charges-related-to-child-obscenity/69898183007/

Edmore man charged with child pornography possession

Sav Kelly, Grand Forks Herald Thu, May 4, 2023

May 4—RAMSEY COUNTY, N.D. — An Edmore, North Dakota, man has been arrested on multiple child pornography charges.

According to an affidavit in the case, in December, child pornography files were linked to a cell phone number belonging to 52-year-old **Matthew James Young**.

Through search warrants for Young, his residence and cell phone, law enforcement discovered 15 child pornography files, the affidavit said.

Young was arrested on April 27, and charged with five counts of Class C felony child pornography possession. Each count has a maximum penalty of five years in prison and \$10,000 in fines.

In a bond hearing on Monday, May 1, Young's bond was set at \$10,000 cash or surety. That same day, his request for court-appointed counsel was denied, because he exceeds the income guidelines.

Young's next hearing, a status conference, is scheduled for May 22. https://sports.yahoo.com/edmore-man-charged-child-pornography-035900221.html

Decatur man charged for possession of material 'showing child sex abuse'

by: Logan Sparkman

Posted: Sep 20, 2023 / 08:24 PM CDT Updated: Sep 20, 2023 / 11:04 PM CDT

DECATUR, Ala. (WHNT) — A man was arrested for the possession of material showing child sex abuse after an investigation by the Decatur Police Department (DPD).

Michael Asa Conville, 30, of Decatur was arrested after members of DPD's Criminal Investigation Division executed a search warrant at his home.

In June, DPD said it received information that a Decatur resident was in possession of material that showed child sexual abuse. The Internet Crimes Against Children Unit then began an investigation and developed Conville as a suspect.

On September 20, DPD officers executed the search warrant at Conville's home. He was taken into custody without incident and charged with possession of obscene matter, according to DPD.

Possession of obscene matter, a Class C felony, is described in Alabama Code as, "a visual depiction of a person under the age of 17 years engaged in any act of sado-masochistic abuse, sexual intercourse, sexual excitement, masturbation, breast nudity, genital nudity, or other sexual conduct."

Conville is being held in the Morgan County Jail, with a bond set at \$7,500. DPD added that the investigation is ongoing.

https://whnt.com/news/decatur/decatur-man-charged-for-possession-of-material-showing-child-sex-abuse/

Man charged with possession of child porn

Online tip lead police to Albertville man
By ELIZABETH SUMMERS The Reporter May 9, 2023

An Albertville man faces charges of illegal possession of obscene matter.

According to Albertville Police, Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force detectives received a cyber tip on April 14.

The tip led to the home of Micah Scott Johnston, 58, of Albertville.

After probable cause was established, a search warrant was executed on May 3 at his home. During the investigation, a cell phone was seized, and a forensic download of the device revealed Johnston was in possession of obscene matter.

Johnston was arrested on May 4 and transported to the Albertville City Jail. He was later transferred to the Marshall County Jail where he was booked on two counts of possession of child pornography. He was released the same day after posting a \$40,000 bond.

https://www.sandmountainreporter.com/free_share/article_5d69c646-eeb7-11ed-b224-133dc16a0575.html

Man arrested in Hanford for possession of child porn, police say

by: John Houghton

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HANFORD, Calif. (<u>KSEE/KGPE</u>) – A 24-year-old man was arrested after the Hanford Police Department said they began investigating a report of the possession and distribution of child sexual abuse material.

Police say on Oct. 17, detectives began investigating after receiving a cyber tip from NCMEC (National Center for Missing and Exploited Children).

Over the course of the investigation and multiple search warrants, police say a suspect was identified as **Michael Baker**.

On Nov. 3, the Hanford Police Department executed a search warrant and contacted Baker. Baker was interviewed and police say he admitted to downloading child sexual abuse material.

According to police, Baker was subsequently arrested and booked on suspicion of possession/distribution of images depicting a minor engaging in sexual activity.

https://www.yourcentralvalley.com/news/crime/man-arrested-in-hanford-for-possession-of-child-porn-police-say/

Deputies: Suspect faces 88 child porn charges

March 09, 2023 By Drew C. Wilson

A Wilson County man has been charged with more than seven dozen counts of sexual exploitation of a minor.

Michael Darrell Bush Jr., 33, of the 7000 block of Town Creek Road east of Elm City, was jailed on a \$1 million bond after his arrest at his rural home.

Chief of Staff Wanda Samuel of the Wilson County Sheriff's Office said the case was investigated as part of the office's participation on the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. In July, the Wilson County Sheriff's Office received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about "suspicious activity" taking place in Wilson County, Samuel said.

She said detectives working the case were able to identify Bush as the offender.

Bush was located at his Town Creek Road home on Monday.

Samuel said Bush was taken into custody by the Wilson County Sheriff's Office Special Operations Intelligence Unit and the Sheriff's Traffic Accident Reduction Unit without incident.

Bush was charged with 88 counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and was booked into the Wilson County Detention Center.

Under N.C. General Statute 14-190.17, second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor includes recording or copying visual depictions of minors engaged in sexual activity as well as distributing or receiving such content. Many ICAC task force cases involve sending or receiving child pornography online.

Samuel said the N.C. State Bureau of Investigation Computer Crimes and Violent Criminal Apprehension Team assisted the Wilson County Sheriff's Office with this case.

https://restorationnewsmedia.com/articles/wilsontimes/deputies-suspect-faces-88-child-porn-charges/

Prison ordered for Kearns man in sex abuse case of boy he met at church

By Deseret News Sept 27, 2013, 6:38pm EDT

SALT LAKE CITY — A man convicted in a sexual abuse case involving a young man he met in church will serve up to life in prison.

Judge Randall Skanchy sentenced **Michael Driggs**, 62, to serve three years to life in prison for attempted aggravated sexual abuse of a child, a first-degree felony.

Police say Driggs abused the boy in 2004 and 2005 when the victim was 12 and 13. Driggs helped the boy set up an email account, which he used to send him pornographic movies and photos, according to the charges. Prosecutors said he sexually abused the boy when he came to the Kearns house where Driggs lived at the time.

Driggs was originally charged with aggravated sexual abuse of a child and four counts of sodomy on a child, all first-degree felonies, and providing harmful material to a minor, a third-degree felony. Those were dropped in exchange for his guilty plea.

Driggs was convicted in 1985 of unlawful sexual conduct with a minor in Maricopa County, Ariz., and was required to register as a sex offender for life. https://www.deseret.com/2013/9/27/20526423/prison-ordered-for-kearns-man-in-sex-abuse-case-of-boy-he-met-at-church

Proctor man charged with possession of child sex abuse materials

Staff Report Jun 22, 2023

A Proctor man was charged Thursday with several counts of possession of child pornography.

Michael Dubois, 35, pleaded not guilty in Rutland Superior Court Criminal Division to seven counts of possession of child sexual abuse material and was released under conditions that he keep in contact with the court, notify it of any changes to his address, not access the internet outside of work purposes, and not have contact with minors except his own — and then only under the supervision of a certain adult.

According to an affidavit by Detective Sarah Superneau, of the Vermont Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, the task force received information reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children by Google LLC which indicated that child sex abuse materials had been stored on a Google account associated with Dubois.

On Monday, police were granted a search warrant for Dubois, his vehicle and his residence in Proctor. Police went to his home on Wednesday and found him there. He was shown three of the image files police suspected him of having downloaded. Dubois said he'd never seen them before, but agreed the child in them appeared to be a minor. He claimed to have seen inappropriate files before while looking for legal pornography on Tumblr, but said he'd never downloaded them.

Police searched several electronic devices they say belong to Dubois. Superneau wrote that Dubois was arrested following the search and cited to appear in court, while the investigation continues.

The Vermont Attorney General's Office, Manchester Police Department, Vermont State Police, and Homeland Security Investigations assisted in the investigation and worked together on the case, according to a statement from the attorney

general. https://www.rutlandherald.com/news/local/proctor-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-sex-abuse-materials/article_29d22224-cd7e-5bd7-a736-daac0158d675.html

5 Mesa County men arrested for having child pornography

by: Nick Koziara

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MESA COUNTY, Colo. (KREX) — Law enforcement arrested five men in Mesa County for being in possession of child pornography.

The Mesa County Sheriff's Office, Homeland Security Investigation and the Colorado Bureau of Investigations conducted a several month-long investigation that ended in the arrest of five Grand Valley residents for having child pornography on their electronic devices.

62-year-old **Michael Forstner** of Grand Junction was arrested on 12 counts of sexual exploitation of a child.

42-year-old Michael Jason of Fruita was arrested on six sounds of sexual exploitation of a child, three of those being children under the age of 12.

44-year-old Dustin McClain of Grand Junction was arrested on seven counts of sexual exploitation of a child, four of those being children under the age of 12.

18-year-old Syril Palmer of Clifton was arrested on two counts of sexual exploitation of a child.

https://www.westernslopenow.com/news/5-mesa-county-men-arrested-for-having-child-pornography/#:~:text=62%2Dyear%2Dold%20Michael%20Forstner,under%20the%20age%20of%2012

DeForest man arrested on multiple child pornography charges

Jonathan Stefonek Jan 20, 2023 Updated Jan 25, 2023

A DeForest man is potentially facing significant prison time following an arrest on Jan. 5 for what would be a charge of 10 counts of possession of child pornography.

Michael Greenya, 47, was arrested following an investigation by DeForest police officers working with the State of Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigations Internet Crimes against Children Taskforce.

On Jan 5, according to the criminal complaint, filed on Jan. 11 by the Dane County District Attorney's Office, officers went to Greenya's residence at 8:30 a.m. with a search warrant.

The officers were reportedly let into the home by a family member and subsequently found Greenya in his bedroom. After a search of the room, police allegedly found an external hard drive which carried photos showing sexual exploitation of prepubescent girls.

 $https://www.hngnews.com/deforest_times/news/local/deforest-man-arrested-on-multiple-child-pornography-charges/article_04a4b5f8-98f8-11ed-b222-074bf85b148f.html\\$

Two men indicted for crimes against children in Franklin County

Staff Reports Apr 20, 2023

The Franklin County Sheriff's Office has released that on Monday, April 17, 2023, investigators presented two child pornography/assault cases to the Circuit Court Grand Jury. After the presentation of evidence, the Grand Jury elected to indict two individuals for crimes against children.

Timothy Alan Heidorn, 28, of Bassett, was previously charged with one count of aggravated sexual battery, one count of filming child pornography, and four counts of possession of child pornography. Heidorn was arrested on these charges in December 2022 and has been held without bond at the Western Virginia Regional Jail since that time. The Grand Jury direct indicted Heidorn with the following 20 charges:

- One count of aggravated sexual battery; Victim < 13y
- Two counts of Rape; Victim < 13y
- Two counts of Animate Object Sexual Penetration; Victim < 13y
- Six counts of Sodomy; Victim < 13y
- Nine counts of Possession of Child Pornography

Michael Richard Hurd, 56, of Moneta, was direct indicted on eleven (11) counts of Possession of Child Pornography. He was arrested on April 19th and is currently being held on a \$100,000 secured bond.

Court dates for Heidorn and Hurd will be set through the Franklin County Circuit Court. No additional information is available at this time.

https://www.smithmountaineagle.com/news/article_b2b73786-df86-11ed-93f1-c33c7aadf408.html

Five Grand Junction men arrested for possession of child pornography

By Gabriel Gonzalez

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GRAND JUNCTION, Colo. (KKCO) - The Mesa County Sheriff's Office, Homeland Security Investigations, and the Colorado Bureau of Investigations ended a month-long investigation into 5 men for possession of sexually abusive and exploitative material.

- Michael Forstner, 62, of Grand Junction, arrested for 6 counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Child – Possession of Sexually Exploitative Material F5.
 Plus, 6 counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Child – Possession of Sexually Exploitative Material – Extraordinary Risk Crime F4.
- Michael Jason, 42, of Fruita, 3 counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Child– Possession of Sexual Exploitive Material F4. Plus, 3 counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Child under the age of 12– Possession of Sexually Exploitive Material Extraordinary Risk F5.
- Dustin McClain, 44, of Grand Junction, 3 counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Child – Possession of Sexually Exploitative Material F5. Plus, 4 counts of Sexual Exploitation of a child under the age of 12 – Possession of Sexually Exploitative Material F5.
- Jason McNally, 21, of Clifton, 2 counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Child-Possession of Sexually Exploitative Material F5. Plus, 1 count of Sexually Exploitation of a Child under the age of 12- Possession of Sexually Exploitation of a Child under the age of 12 Possession of Sexually Exploitative Material F5
- Syril Palmer, 18, of Clifton, 1 count Sexual Exploitation of a Child– Possession of Sexual Exploitive Material F5. Plus, 1 count Sexual Exploitation of a Child– Possession of Sexual Exploitive Material F4.

Investigators found more than 4,000 sexually explicit images of children on various devices. On September 21, the suspects were transported and booked into the Mesa County Detention Facility.

https://www.kkco11news.com/2023/09/28/five-local-men-arrested-possession-child-pornography/

Rockford man charged with possession of child sex abuse materials

By Meghan Schobinger Published: Jun. 2, 2023 at 3:05 PM EDT

ROCKFORD, III. (WIFR) - A 45-year-old Rockford man is facing several charges involving images of child sex abuse after an investigation by Illinois State Police (ISP).

Michael A. Medina, of Rockford, is charged with five counts of possession of child pornography and two counts of dissemination of child photography.

On Thursday, ISP executed a search warrant at a residence on the 2800 block of Bluffside Drive in Rockford. Police say they collected an electronic device at the home which after examination revealed evidence of child sex abuse images.

Medina is lodged in the Winnebago County jail awaiting a bond hearing.

ISP urges the public to report crimes against children as soon as someone is aware and to remain vigilant to help keep kids safe online from predators.

For resources for survivors of sexual abuse visit https://www.missingkids.org/gethelpnow/csam-resources. https://www.wifr.com/2023/06/02/rockford-man-charged-with-possession-child-sex-abuse-materials/

Mobile man arrested on child porn charges: County Sheriff's Office

by: Summer Poole

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MOBILE COUNTY, Ala. (WKRG) — The Mobile County Sheriff's Office arrested a man on multiple child pornography charges, according to an MCSO press release.

Michael "Trent" Myers, 33, was arrested and charged with the production of child pornography, sex abuse of a child less than 12 and five counts of possession of child pornography.

MCSO's Internet Crimes Against Children Unit arrested Myers. The ICAC Unit is a national program with 61 coordinated task forces, which represent over 5,400 federal, state and local law enforcement. ICAC investigates, prosecutes and develops ways to respond to crimes against children.

According to the official ICAC website, over 89,400 people have been arrested by this task force and over 675,000 people have been trained.

https://www.wkrg.com/mobile-county/mobile-man-arrested-on-child-porn-charges-county-sheriffs-office/

Man arrested for child pornography

Michael Nacci, of the 2800 block of Windsor Drive in Bensalem Township, uploaded and saved multiple images

ByLower Bucks Times September 18, 2023

In August 2023, Bensalem Police Detectives received information that a Google account had uploaded and saved multiple child pornography images. An investigation was initiated and the information was confirmed. Further investigation linked the account with a specific Comcast IP address that was registered to **Michael Nacci**, of the 2800 block of Windsor Drive in Bensalem Township.

On Sept. 12, a search warrant was executed at the address. Numerous computers, tablets and external storage devices were seized as evidence. Nacci confirmed that the Google account in question belonged to him and he did, in fact, upload such images.

Nacci was arrested and charged with Felony Possession of Child Pornography and related offenses. He was arraigned by District Justice Brian Marriott and bail was set at \$75,000, 10 percent. He was committed to Bucks County Prison. https://lowerbuckstimes.com/2023/09/18/man-arrested-for-child-pornography/

Finance exec, 54, accused of drugging and raping young teen at hotels across NYC — even taking her on trips as his daughter: DA

By Kyle Schnitzer and Allie Griffin Published June 15, 2023

A 54-year-old finance executive was indicted Thursday for allegedly raping a 14-year-old girl — whom he met online — inside hotel rooms across New York City and feeding her drugs until she overdosed, prosecutors announced.

Michael Olson was hit with a 17-count indictment for the alleged months-long abuse that was uncovered May 26 when paramedics responded to a Manhattan hotel to find him and the girl, who had ingested a cocktail of ketamine, cocaine and Xanax, according to the Manhattan District Attorney's Office.

The girl was rushed to a hospital and survived, and Olson, of Manhattan, was arrested.

He was released after posting a \$1 million bond.

While out on bail, Olson continued to try to contact underage girls — despite the slew of charges against him and the fact that he was being electronically monitored, according to prosecutors.

The young teen he was found with was not Olson's only victim. She was just one of many vulnerable young teens — specifically teenage Asian girls — the accused serial abuser allegedly preyed on, prosecutors said.

Olson first targeted the 14-year-old in December 2022, when he found her Instagram page and replied to a post she had made about clothing costing too much money, according to the DA's Office.

He then allegedly sent her a gift card and began to pay her to spend time with him

Paramedics found Olson in a Manhattan hotel room on May 26 with a girl who had ingested a cocktail of ketamine, cocaine and Xanax, according to reports.

Over the next six months, he allegedly raped the young girl on several occasions — paying her \$700 a week in exchange for sex at hotels in Queens and Manhattan, the office said.

Olson also traveled with the child on trips to Las Vegas, Los Angeles and Miami and pretended that she was his daughter by purchasing her boarding passes using her first name with his last name.

He was charged with one count of criminal sale of a controlled substance to a child, five counts of rape in the second degree, seven counts of aggravated patronizing of a minor for prostitution in the second degree, two counts of criminal sexual act in the second degree, one count of facilitating a sex offense with a controlled substance and one count of endangering the welfare of a child.

The executive, who worked for Dwight Mortgage Trust but is no longer listed as an employee, is expected to be slapped with more charges as investigators discovered Olson had contacted numerous other young teens in addition to the 14-year-old victim.

Olson's iPad, which was recovered from the Manhattan hotel room, revealed more victims, prosecutors said at his arraignment in New York State Supreme Court on Thursday.

"A search of an iPad that the defendant had with him that day revealed numerous other victims," prosecutor John Fuller said at the hearing, according to the New York Times. "There were hundreds of screenshots of various Instagram accounts of young, Asian teenage girls that the defendant messaged."

Fuller alleged that Olson targeted girls who posted images of self-harm or complained of money troubles on the social media platform.

Many of the girls listed their middle or high schools in their Instagram bios, making their age obvious to Olson, the prosecutor added, according to the publication.

Olson would allegedly message the teens with dollar amounts of how much he would pay them to have sex with him, while also asking about their schools and taking vacations together, the Times reported.

He is believed to have also supplied drugs to other minors he targeted.

He allegedly kept detailed spreadsheets of what drugs he fed to what girls and how much money he paid to each.

Additionally, he had screenshots of the New York City public school calendar and Uber receipts showing pickups from elementary and middle schools on his phone, prosecutors said.

The accused pedophile also kept a collection of nude photos of minors and underage girls performing sex acts on the iPad seized by investigators and is expected to face additional pornography charges, Fuller said.

Olson was remanded without bail at an arraignment in New York Supreme Court on Thursday.

Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg encouraged other victims to come forward.

https://nypost.com/2023/06/15/finance-exec-54-accused-of-drugging-and-raping-young-teen-at-hotels-across-nyc/

Explicit online posts lead to arrests

From Staff Reports Pauls Valley Democrat Mar 29, 2023

Drugs and online exchanges on the questionable side came together with one couple living in the Wynnewood area.

First it was a cyber-tip that led federal, state and Garvin County authorities to the doorstep of **Michael Todd Smeltzer**, 58.

The tip hit the radar of officials as Smeltzer is accused of using social media to post a number of lewd proposals to a teenage girl in early March.

One was a request for the girl to post partially naked photos of herself on Facebook, while others were sexually explicit in nature. Smeltzer is also accused of posting a couple of graphic photos of himself.

County sheriff's deputies were also there to take Smeltzer into custody for failing to appear in court or pay fines and costs in a drug possession case dating back to 2016.

The twist came when a search of his residence resulted in officials finding about 1 1/2 grams of fentanyl and a loaded rifle.

As it turns out Smeltzer's girlfriend, Rebecca Jean Billings, 52, was also arrested and later charged when it was learned the drugs were in her purse.

Billings claimed Smeltzer had given her the drugs when officers rolled up to the residence.

"When ya'll came to the door (Smeltzer) handed me the baggies and I put them in my purse," Billings said to deputies, according to a court document.

In the end Smeltzer is now facing five felony counts, including three charges of lewd or indecent proposals to child under 16, drug trafficking and firearm possession.

He was handed an \$80,000 bond as his next court appearance is set for next month.

Billing was given three felony charges, including drug trafficking and drug possession. She was released after a \$10,000 bond was posted. https://www.paulsvalleydailydemocrat.com/news/local_news/explicit-online-posts-lead-to-arrests/article_5cf12ebe-52de-5a58-b2bc-51fae1c73ba3.html

GBI arrests Macon County man for sexual exploitation of children

The GBI's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes was assisted by the GBI Americus Office and the Macon County Sheriff's Office.

Author: 13WMAZ Staff

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MACON COUNTY, Ga. — A Macon County man was arrested and charged with the sexual exploitation of children on Tuesday, according to a press release from the GBI.

Michael Davis Smith was investigated by the GBI for his online activity after they received numerous CyberTipline Reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC).

They say their investigation led to a search warrant of Smith's home and to his arrest.

The GBI's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes was assisted by the GBI Americus Office and the Macon County Sheriff's Office.

Smith is currently in the Macon County Jail, according to the release.

They say this investigation is part of the ongoing effort by the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, housed within the GBI's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit, to identify those involved in the trade of child sexual abuse material.

Anyone with information about other cases of child exploitation is asked to contact the Georgia Bureau of Investigation Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit at 404-270-8870 or report via the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children CyberTipline at CyberTipline.org. Anonymous tips can also be submitted by calling 1-800-597-TIPS (8477), online

at https://gbi.georgia.gov/submit-tips-online, or by downloading the See Something, Send Something mobile app.

https://www.13wmaz.com/article/news/local/gbi-arrests-macon-county-man-sexual-exploitation-of-children/93-30e1c123-bb5a-4cf9-b74f-06c10d9b1d88

Black River Falls man accused of possessing child pornography

By WEAU Staff Published: Jun. 23, 2023 at 1:37 PM EDT

EAU CLAIRE COUNTY, Wis. (WEAU) - A Black River Falls man is accused of possessing child pornography.

A criminal complaint shows 34-year-old **Michael Vannet** is facing 18 total charges including five charges of sexual exploitation of a child, lifetime supervision of serious sex offenders and 13 charges of possession of child pornography, lifetime supervision of serious sex offenders.

According to the criminal complaint, a detective reports that they were conducting an investigation regarding internet crimes against children that began with a CyberTip. The identified person was Michael Vannet.

The criminal complaint says the detective gathered information from Vannet's Snapchat and Kik accounts, along with information directly from Vannet's cellular phone that was in Vannet's possession at the time it was seized.

In review of the content from Snapchat and Kik accounts and from Vannet's phone, the detective found 18 files of suspected child pornography, according to the criminal complaint.

Court records show a \$25,000.00 cash bond is set for Vannet, and a court hearing is scheduled for June 27, 2023.

https://www.weau.com/2023/06/23/black-river-falls-man-accused-possessing-child-pornography/

Kane's Child Exploitation Unit helped nab former pastor charged with child pornography

Special investigative unit's work led to the charges By Shaw Local News NetworkJune 30, 2023 at 5:24 pm CDT

ST. CHARLES TOWNSHIP – A Campton Hills man was <u>charged with felony</u> <u>possession of child pornography</u> following an investigation by the Child Exploitation Unit, a collaboration between the Kane County State's Attorney's Office and the Sheriff's Office, officials announced in a news release.

Michael C. Willis, 43, of the 39W800 block of Prunetree Lane, Campton Hills, was charged with two counts of reproducing and disseminating child pornography, three counts of possessing moving depictions of child pornography and two counts of possessing computer photographs, according to the release.

Willis was a pastor of a Geneva-area church until March. Rejoice Lutheran Church hired the Rev. Michael C. Willis to lead its youth ministry in 2016, according to the church's Facebook page.

Willis was ordained as a pastor in 2022, according to records on the website of the Metropolitan Chicago Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, to which Rejoice belongs.

On Wednesday, a synod official said Willis was put on leave in April when the synod learned of the investigation, and that Willis resigned from Rejoice in early June.

State's Attorney Jamie Mosser alleged that prior to April 10, 2023, Willis reproduced and possessed multiple child pornography videos and images, according to the release.

The Child Exploitation Unit, which conducted the investigation, is made up of investigators from both offices, along with assistant state's attorneys with specialized knowledge in the investigation and prosecution of child pornography cases, according to the release.

The Illinois Attorney General's Office and the Internet Crimes Against Children's Task Force also assisted, according to the release.

Kane County Associate Judge Salvatore LoPiccolo issued a warrant for Willis' arrest and set bond at \$50,000, with 10% or \$5,000 to apply for bond.

Willis surrendered to the Sheriff's Office, posted bond and was released.

The terms of his release require that Willis is to have no unsupervised contact with anyone younger than 18, and he is not to possess any electronic devises that can record or review recordings or pictures.

His next court appearance is scheduled for Aug. 16.

Willis's attorney, Sam Amirante, said his client is presumed innocent.

"He's charged like any other criminal defendant in this wonderful country that we're going to celebrate this coming week for the Fourth of July – and presumed innocent," Amirante said.

"He certainly has that right under the Constitution like any other criminal defendant. And my job is to protect that right to be presumed innocent," Amirante said. "From what I have seen so far, he will remain an innocent person as he is."

The most serious charges that Willis faces are the two counts of reproducing and disseminating child pornography, Class 1 felonies punishable by four to 15 years in prison and fines up to \$25,000 or up to 48 months of probation, if convicted.

Daily Herald reporter Susan Sarkauskas contributed to this report. https://www.shawlocal.com/kane-county-chronicle/news/crime-brief/2023/06/30/kanes-child-exploitation-unit-helped-nab-former-pastor-charged-with-child-pornography/

Bay Area nanny Nicole Hidalgo, 28, is charged with molesting young girl she was hired to care for so she could send photos of abuse to man she met online, cops say

Michelle Hidalgo is facing new charges of molesting a baby girl She was initially arrested last month on child pornography charges The nanny was charged with further offenses after new evidence emerged

By WILL POTTER FOR DAILYMAIL.COM PUBLISHED: 14:58 EST, 21 October 2023 | UPDATED: 15:02 EST, 21 October 2023

A California nanny has been charged with molesting a baby girl she was hired to care for, weeks after facing charges of producing and sending pornographic images of the infant.

Michelle Nicole Hidalgo, 28, was charged with three further offenses after prosecutors said they found more disturbing evidence.

She was initially arrested last month after cops in Contra Costa County received a tip from an unnamed social media platform about child abuse images allegedly shared by Hidalgo on their platform.

When they probed her online activity, police allegedly found conversations between her and a man requesting 'worse and worse' images of the girl.

The nanny was still employed by the victim's family at the time of her arrest. She is currently being held on a \$2.7 million bond, and faces up to 60 years to life in prison if found guilty.

On top of the four felony counts of child pornography she previously faced, Hidalgo has now been charged with a further three counts of child molestation of a victim under 10, and of using a minor for sex acts.

When Hidalgo was confronted about the images by a District Attorney senior inspector, she allegedly admitted to sharing the images, calling them a 'stupid' one-time mistake.

But cops suspect that she had also molested the infant at the direction of the man she sent the images to.

According to court records, the sickening directions saw the man ask Hidalgo to do 'worse and worse' things to the girl while documenting it.

After receiving the initial tip, a search warrant was carried out on her home by the Contra Costa County Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, where they seized 'equipment used in the production and distribution' of the child abuse footage.

District Attorney Diana Becton previously said authorities have not ruled out the possibility that there are other victims.

Although she allegedly admitted to the images, Hidalgo pleaded not guilty to charges in her first court appearance last month.

Her bail originally stood at \$700,000, and before it was raised to \$2.7 million on Friday the District Attorney's office said at her first hearing that it would argue to keep her behind bars should her defense ask for the bail to be lowered.

'Why? Because she is a danger,' Deputy District Attorney Paul Graves said at the time.

According to Hidalgo's Facebook profile, she is originally from Pacifica, California, and graduated from at Terra Nova High School.

Hidalgo's arrest is the latest in a string of recent instances of daycare workers and nannies being charged with similarly disturbing offenses.

Last month, a Bay Area daycare worker was sentenced to 25 years in prison for possessing and distributing child pornography.

Jace Wong, 26, was arrested in San Francisco in 2021 after an undercover officer linked him to a pornographic video of a girl between four and six years old.

Meanwhile, in Massachusetts, a daycare worker has been accused of sending photos of naked children to a trans former politician.

Lindsay Groves, 38, faces accusations that she took nude images of children aged three to five at the Creative Minds Early Learning Center in Tyngsboro, about 35 miles northwest of Boston.

Prosecutors say the New Hampshire resident took the photos in a private bathroom during breaks before nap time and texted them to someone 'with whom she was previously in an intimate relationship' and shared 2,500 texts with.

The investigation into Groves also led to the arrest of Stacie Laughton, 39, who is believed to be the first transgender person elected to a state Legislature in the nation. She is charged with distributing child pornography.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-12657203/Bay-Area-nanny-Hidalgo-molesting-girl.html

Online tip leads to arrest of Cleveland man for child sex exploitation

Local 3 News staff Aug 29, 2023 Updated Aug 30, 2023

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children sent a tip to Cleveland police for a possible case of the sexual exploitation of a child.

A subpoena was obtained for a phone where an image was found of a prepubescent female child.

Police say a warrant was issued 47-year-old **Mikel Lee Lawson** on June 12, and he arrested over the weekend.

Lawson is charged with one count of the Sexual Exploitation of a Minor.

Lawson told police that his cellphone had suspicious activities and that his Facebook account had been hacked.

Lawson was booked into the Bradley County Jail on a \$10,000 bond. https://www.local3news.com/local-news/online-tip-leads-to-arrest-of-cleveland-man-for-child-sex-exploitation/article_2620e9ec-4684-11ee-a475-ff11c5f5eb6d.html

Utah sex offender accused of dating woman with children while at halfway house

By Pat Reavy, KSL.com | Posted - April 20, 2023 at 4:03 p.m.

SALT LAKE CITY — A registered sex offender is in trouble again after investigators say he was caught downloading child pornography and accessing it on a computer issued by the halfway house he resided, and was secretly seeing a woman with young children.

Miles Brent Blakeley, 33, was charged Thursday in 3rd District Court with sexual exploitation of a minor, a second-degree felony.

In November, while Blakeley was a resident at the Bonneville Community Correctional Center, 1141 S. 2475 West, investigators received a tip that a video file attached to Blakeley's Google account contained child pornography, according to charging documents. Investigators say he accessed his Gmail account using a computer at the correctional center.

Two phone numbers were associated with the account, neither of which Blakeley had reported as required as part of his parole, the charges state.

Investigators decided to keep surveillance on Blakeley "and it was found that he was meeting a person ... around the corner from (Bonneville Community Correctional Center) and she was driving him to various locations, including to her home," according to the charges.

Police said they learned that Blakeley was in a relationship with the woman, who had several children living with her. Not having contact with children is another requirement of Blakeley's parole.

Investigators also tracked one of the phone numbers that was listed with Blakeley's email account and learned that he was turning it off while at the corrections facility, but "was using it selectively when at work and other locations," the charges state.

Blakeley was arrested in January and his phone was seized for analysis. On the phone, investigators found "multiple pictures of himself and children on his phone and in his Google account. These pictures included Blakeley in bed with a child and many photos of bathing children and children in diapers," the charges allege.

Blakeley said he had become close to the woman's children, particularly her young daughter who viewed him as father figure, the charges say.

Blakeley, who is on the Utah Sex Offender and Kidnap Registry, has been convicted of multiple counts of sexual exploitation of a minor in 2014 and 2016 and voyeurism in 2016.

https://www.ksl.com/article/50626097/utah-sex-offender-accused-of-dating-woman-with-children-while-at-halfway-house

Salamanca Man Facing Child Porn Charges

MAR 28, 2023

A Salamanca man has been charged with possession of child pornography.

The Bureau of Criminal Investigation of the New York State Police stationed at Olean charged **Myron A. Bialaszewski**, 61, with possessing a sexual performance by a child on Monday.

With the assistance from the Troop A Computer Crimes Unit, the bureau conducted an Internet Crimes Against Children investigation in the city of Salamanca. That determined Bialaszewski possessed child pornography. Bialaszewski was issued an appearance ticket returnable to the city of Salamanca Court later April 2023.

The mission of the ICAC Task Force is to identify individuals online who are attempting to lure children to meet for sex or those disseminating child sexual abuse material. The Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program helps state and local law enforcement agencies develop an effective response to technology-facilitated child sexual exploitation and Internet crimes against children.

https://www.post-journal.com/news/latest-news/2023/03/salamanca-man-facing-child-porn-charges/

Hickory Man Jailed On 20 Sexual Exploitation Charges

October 4, 2023 Rob Eastwood – Reporter

20-year-old **Nate Eli Kurzak** of 14th Avenue NE in Hickory was arrested Tuesday (October 3) by Hickory Police Officers. He's charged with ten counts apiece of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor. Kurzak was incarcerated in the Catawba County Detention Facility under \$375,000 bond. A District Court appearance was scheduled today (October 4).

https://whky.com/hickory-man-jailed-on-20-sexual-exploitation-charges/

Custer Man Indicted for Child Pornography

Friday, April 21, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, District of South Dakota

RAPID CITY - United States Attorney Alison J. Ramsdell announced that a federal grand jury has indicted a Custer, South Dakota, man for Receipt of Child Pornography and Possession of Child Pornography.

Nathan Frisch, age 42, was indicted in March of 2023. He appeared before U.S. Magistrate Judge Daneta L. Wollmann on April 3, 2023, and pleaded not guilty to the Indictment.

The maximum penalty upon conviction is a mandatory minimum of five years in custody and/or a \$250,000 fine, a mandatory minimum of five years of supervised release, and \$100 to the Federal Crime Victims Fund for each count of conviction. Restitution may also be ordered.

The charges relate to Frisch downloading child pornography images from the Internet and transferring them from his laptop to the Google Drive account installed on his cellular phone.

The charges are merely accusations and Frisch is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

The investigation is being conducted by Homeland Security Investigations and the South Dakota Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. Assistant U.S. Attorney Heather Sazama is prosecuting the case.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse, launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by the U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the DOJ's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit https://www.justice.gov/psc.

Frisch was released on bond pending trial. A trial date has been set for June 6, 2023.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-sd/pr/custer-man-indicted-child-pornography

Youngstown man indicted on child pornography charges

According to the indictment filed in court on Thursday, 23-year-old Nathan Lee was in possession of material containing a minor 'participating and engaging in sexual activity' in October of 2022.

Saturday, December 16th 2023, 9:04 AM EST By Zach Mosca

A Youngstown man currently in jail on child pornography charges was indicted by a grand jury earlier this week.

According to the indictment filed in court on Thursday, 23-year-old **Nathan Lee** was in possession of material containing a minor "participating and engaging in sexual activity" in October of 2022.

He's charged with one count of pandering obscenity involving a minor.

According to court records, a warrant was issued for Lee's arrest on Thursday, and he was arrested by the Mahoning County Sheriff's Office and booked into jail on Friday according to jail records.

Court records do not show an arraignment date for Lee at this time. https://www.wfmj.com/story/50234574/youngstown-man-indicted-on-child-pornography-charges

La Salle County Grand Jury Indicts on Child Porn, Agg. Domestic Battery

Tom Henson Oct 11, 2023

The La Salle County Grand Jury has indicted a 23-year-old Sandwich man on two counts of child pornography. **Nathan Mixa** was arrested September 18. He's due in court Thursday morning with Judge Cynthia Raccuglia.

Forty-two-year-old Rachel Kafuman of Mendota has been indicted on a charge of aggravated domestic battery.

The Grand Jury has indicted 41-year-old Brandon Oldenburg of Ottawa, also on a charge of aggravated domestic battery. Oldenburg was picked up September 17, and he's due back in court on Thursday.

And 31-year-old Jacob Rinehart of Seneca has also been indicted for aggravated domestic battery. He was arrested September 22 and his next court appearance is November 3.

https://www.starvedrock.media/wlpo/la-salle-county-grand-jury-indicts-on-child-porn-agg-domestic-battery/article_e81c83a8-6858-11ee-b760-af7960445be7.html

Wilton man facing numerous charges alleging child pornography possession, distribution

By Jeffrey Hastings - Contributor | Feb 27, 2023

LONDONDERRY — Police have filed 14 charges against a 24-year-old Wilton man, accusing him of possessing and distributing child sexual abuse images (CSAI).

Nathan Masters Olson, of 9 Park St., Apt. 2, was taken into custody over the weekend at police headquarters. The charges include 7 counts each of possession of CSAI and distributing CSAI, according to police.

Olson was arrested on a warrant investigators had issued following an investigation, police said.

Whether Olson was held in jail or bail was set wasn't immediately known, nor was the date of a court appearance.

https://www.nashuatelegraph.com/news/local-news/2023/02/27/wilton-man-facing-numerous-charges-alleging-child-pornography-possession-distribution/

Arrest of Fort Morgan man closes 'years of investigation'

By BRIAN PORTER | bporter@prairiemountainmedia.com | The Fort Morgan Times, Sterling Journal-Advocate PUBLISHED: February 1, 2023 at 7:25 p.m. | UPDATED: February 2, 2023 at 8:13 a.m.

Police, SWAT unit executed warrant which led to arrest on sexual child exploitation charge

A lengthy investigation culminated Wednesday in the arrest of a suspect on felony sexual child exploitation charges.

Nathan Reeder, 31, of Fort Morgan was arrested following a search warrant earlier in the day which led to a Code Red alert in the area surrounding the 500 block of Gateway Avenue and the lockdown of Pioneer Elementary School.

"This has been an on-going investigation with original tips dating back several years," Police Chief Loren Sharp said. "Recently, Fort Morgan detectives were able to gather enough evidence to support a search warrant at the residence of the suspect."

That search warrant was executed at about 9:40 a.m. Wednesday in a coordinated effort with the Regional SWAT unit and with school officials at Pioneer Elementary School, where a lockdown was issued out of an abundance of caution, Sharp said.

Fort Morgan police utilized the Regional SWAT unit because of intelligence indicating multiple people were living in the home, at least one of which was known to be a violent offender, Sharp said.

During execution of the search warrant, "numerous occupants" were removed from the home for safety, Sharp said. The execution of the search warrant was followed by further investigation.

As a result, an arrest warrant was sought and granted Wednesday afternoon for Reeder. He was arrested on the warrant and is being held without bond on Class 3 felony charges of sexual child exploitation in the Morgan County jail.

"I am proud of the investigators that have worked diligently on this case to obtain enough evidence to bring a warrant to the judge," Sharp said. "While due process is important and must play out in court, today was the first step in bringing justice to any and all victims in this case."

https://www.fortmorgantimes.com/2023/02/01/arrest-of-fort-morgan-man-closes-years-of-investigation/

Seven people arrested on various charges in Northwest Arkansas

by NWA Democrat-Gazette | June 29, 2023 at 1:30 a.m.

Arrests

Benton County Sheriff's Office

Roger Daniel, 67, of 12058 Hilltop Road in Lowell, was arrested Tuesday in connection with domestic battering. Daniel was being held Wednesday in the Benton County Jail with no bond set.

Amanda Thacker, 42, of 1220 S. Highland St. in Pine Bluff, was arrested Tuesday in connection with aggravated assault. Thacker was being held Wednesday in the Benton County Jail with no bond set.

Nathan Wright, 38, of 411 E. Sweetwater Drive in Rogers, was arrested Wednesday in connection with rape, engaging a child in sexually explicit conduct. Wright was being held Wednesday in the Benton County Jail with no bond set.

Bentonville

Trevor Blake, of Bentonville, was arrested Wednesday in connection with sexual indecency with a child. Blake was being held Thursday in the Benton County Jail with no bond set.

Fayetteville

Mohamed Kante, 31, of 705 Hidden Springs Drive No. 34 in Decatur, was arrested Monday in connection with robbery. Kante was being held Thursday in the Washington County Detention Center on \$5,000 bond.

Johnson

Ignacio Mora-Albarran, 28, of 901 S. 10th St. in Rogers, was arrested Wednesday in connection with aggravated assault on a family or household member. Mora-Albarran was being held Wednesday in the Washington County Detention Center on \$5,000 bond.

https://www.nwaonline.com/news/2023/jun/29/seven-people-arrested-on-various-charges-in/

EPD: Man charged with several counts of child exploitation

By 14 News Staff

Published: Jun. 8, 2023 at 7:24 PM EDT

EVANSVILLE, Ind. (WFIE) - An Evansville man is now in jail on child pornography charges.

An affidavit states **Nathaniel Dean** is accused of sending sexually explicit material involving minors in August of last year.

Officials say police searched Dean's home on Cass Court back in December of 2022.

Police say Dean eventually admitted to sending graphic images to minors.

Dean is facing several counts of child exploitation and possession of child pornography.

https://www.14news.com/2023/06/08/epd-man-charged-with-several-counts-child-exploitation/

SEXUAL BATTERY ARRESTS AND CHILD PORNOGRAPHY INVESTIGATION

Sexual Battery Arrests and Child Pornography Investigation

September 19, 2023

Case Number: 2023-014337

The Manatee County Sheriff's Office Internet Crimes Against Children Unit received several cyber tips on 6/5/23 from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about Child Sexual Abuse Materials transmitted over Facebook, which they later learned was between **Nicholas Bassler Jr.**, 24, and Sierra Campany, 24.

The images were verified as child exploitation material and the investigation led detectives to believe the transmission of the material came from an address in the 5000 block of 23rd Street West, Bradenton.

Detectives continued to investigate, and on 9/13/23, they made contact with Campany and Bassler, building probable cause for a search warrant for the residence. The warrant was served, and several electronics were seized, including the tablet listed in the cybertip. Forensics on their electronic devices found numerous exploitation images and videos showing both Bassler and Campany performing sex acts on children. Detectives know of three victims ranging in age from 10 months to 10 years old. Both Bassler and Campany have confessed to the crimes.

On 9/14/23 Sierra Campany was arrested for Capital Sexual Battery and Nicholas Bassler Jr. was arrested on the same charge the next day. (9/15/23). They each face additional charges for Possession, Transmission, and Production of Child Pornography.

Detectives believe there could be more victims. Anyone who suspects a child has had contact with Nicholas Bassler, Jr. or Sierra Campany is urged to contact Manatee County Sheriff's Office Crimes Against Children detectives at (941) 747-3011 Ext. 2522.

The investigation continues.

 $https://www.manateesheriff.com/_T24_R200.php\#: \sim : text = On\%209\%2F14\%2F23\%20Sierra, and\%20Production\%20of\%20Child\%20Pornography$

Delhi Township man sentenced for raping child

by WKRC Mon, December 11th 2023

CINCINNATI (WKRC) - A Delhi Township man was sentenced to life in prison with no parole for raping an eight-year-old girl.

Nicholas Blanton was convicted of two counts of rape and one count of gross sexual imposition in November.

He was acquitted of a third count of rape.

He raped the girl on April 8 or 9 in Delhi, according to court papers.

Court documents didn't outline how he knew the girl.

The judge also sentenced Blanton to three additional years in prison for the gross sexual imposition charge.

https://local12.com/news/local/delhi-township-man-sentenced-raping-child-cincinnati-nicholas-blanton-rape-gross-sexual- imposition

LAKE ARIEL MAN ARRESTED IN CHILD PORNOGRAPHY INVESTIGATION

May 3, 2023

LAKE ARIEL MAN ARRESTED IN CHILD PORNOGRAPHY INVESTIGATION

Wayne County District Attorney A.G. Howell today announced the arrest of **Nicholas Counterman**, age 25, of Lake Ariel. Counterman was arrested on May 3, 2023 and charged with one (1) count of Possession of Child Pornography and one (1) count of Criminal Use of a Communication Facility, each graded as a felony of the third degree.

According to the police criminal complaint affidavit of probable cause filed by Wayne County Detective Michael McMorrow, the investigation began after Google, LLC. reported that an image of apparent child pornography had been uploaded to Google from Counterman's mobile device. Google then reported the incident to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). Overall, NCMEC received a total of six (6) reports of apparent child pornography being uploaded.

Ultimately, a search warrant was served at Counterman's residence by members of the Pennsylvania State Police Northeast Computer Crime Unit, officers from the Pennsylvania Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General. At that time, police seized electronic items from Counterman's residence and interviewed him about the uploads. As a result of the investigation, Counterman was arrested and charged with possession of child pornography.

A preliminary arraignment was conducted by Magisterial District Judge Bonnie Carney and Counterman was remanded to the Wayne County Correctional Facility on \$50,000.00 secured bail. His next scheduled court appearance is May 10, 2023 at 9:00 am.

Pennsylvania State Police North East Computer Crime Task Force consists of detectives from the Luzerne County Detectives, Lackawanna County Detectives, Wayne County Detectives, Lycoming County Detectives, West Hazleton City Police Department, Hazleton City Police Department, Town of Bloomsburg Police Department, Kingston Township Police Department and the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General.

*The filing of criminal charges is not evidence of guilt but simply a description of the charge made by the Commonwealth against a defendant. A charged Defendant is presumed innocent until a jury returns a unanimous finding that the Commonwealth has proven the defendant's guilt beyond a reasonable doubt or until the defendant enters a guilty plea to the charges.

https://waynecountypalawyers.com/lake-ariel-man-arrested-in-child-pornography-investigation/

Google Cyber Tip Leads to Arrest of Margate Man on Child Pornography Charges

By Ryan Yousefi on October 21, 2023

A Google cyber tip led to the arrest of a Margate man now charged with 11 felony charges of possessing child pornography.

On July 20, Google reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) that an individual, later identified as **Nicholas Vincenzo Elias**, 21, of Margate, had violated their terms of use by uploading explicit images, including a large amount of child pornography.

The information provided to NCMEC contained details about the contents of Elias's account and his location, specifically, an address near the 6400 block of Northwest 21st Court.

According to records, NCMEC referred the case to the South Florida Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, which began an investigation into Elias, who triggered the cyber tip by allegedly uploading five files containing apparent explicit content featuring children.

In response to the Cybertip, law enforcement authorities obtained a search warrant to access the contents of Elias's Google Drive, and eventually, during the investigation, additional personal information, including Google Pay details, was uncovered, linking Elias to the Google account.

The Google Drive contained 178 unique files, with approximately 60 considered child pornography content under Florida State Statutes. Additionally, about 27 files were categorized as Age Difficult, Erotica, or indicative of child sexual exploitation.

On August 30, the Margate Police Department's Special Response Team and Criminal Investigations Division executed the search warrant. During the search of Elias's residence, he agreed to speak to law enforcement and was shown still images from the contents of the Google Drive warrant.

According to the arrest report, one of the images depicted a white male masturbating on a bed. Elis positively identified himself as the individual in the image. They confirmed that the location was his bedroom within the residence, further linking the contents of the Google Drive to him.

Elias subsequently admitted to viewing several explicit materials and recognized certain photos. He explained that these materials were once located on a personal laptop within his residence.

A thorough examination of all of Elias's devices revealed many images, including non-pertinent images, comparison images, child-exploitative images, agedifficult material, and explicit material.

On October 18, law enforcement took Elias into custody near the 5500 West Sample Road and transferred him to the Broward County Main Jail.

https://margatetalk.com/google-cyber-tip-margate-child-pornography-

44732#:~:text=Google%20Cyber%20Tip%20Leads%20to%20Arrest%20of%20Margate%20Man%20on%20Child%20 Pornography%20Charges,-

October % 2021% 2C% 202023& text = A% 20Google% 20 cyber% 20 tip% 20 led, charges% 20 of% 20 possessing% 20 child% 20 pornography.

33-year-old Fort Walton Beach arrested on child porn charges

by WEAR staff Thu, July 13th 2023, 11:53 AM EDT

OKALOOSA COUNTY, Fla. -- A 33-year-old Fort Walton Beach man is charged with possession of child porn.

Nicholas Eller was arrested Wednesday on:

- 3 counts of child porn possession
- use of a two-way device to commit a felony

According to an arrest report, authorities found Eller in possession of three child porn videos involving children ages 8-13.

Eller is being held in Escambia County Jail on no bond. https://weartv.com/news/local/33-year-old-fort-walton-beach-arrested-on-child-porn-charges

Charges dismissed against Elmira man accused of uploading child porn online

by: Carl Aldinger

Posted: May 17, 2023 / 11:13 AM EDT

Update: on September 19, 2023, all charges against Nicholas Hopkins were dismissed. 18 News received a copy of the dismissal from the Elmira City Court. Mr. Hopkins asked that 18 News update its story on his arrest to reflect the dismissal of charges and we agreed to do that.

ELMIRA, N.Y. (WETM) – Elmira Police have arrested a man accused of uploading child sex abuse material online.

EPD arrested **Nicholas Hopkins**, 31, around 9:00 a.m. on May 17 after a tip from the NYS Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. The investigation stemmed from a National Center for Missing and Exploited Children report that alleged Hopkins had uploaded child sex abuse material to the internet.

Hopkins was arrested after EPD executed a search warrant at his home. He was charged with Promoting a Sexual Performance by a Child and was held awaiting a court appearance.

https://www.mytwintiers.com/crime/elmira-man-accused-of-uploading-child-porn-online/

Sex offender twice convicted faces new child porn charge

by: John Hogan

Posted: Nov 22, 2023 / 02:23 PM EST Updated: Nov 22, 2023 / 03:55 PM EST

KALAMAZOO, Mich. (WOOD) — He's had child pornography and sexual assault convictions dating back almost 20 years, and now Nicholas S. Kissinger is facing a new federal charge that could keep him locked up for more than a decade.

Felony information filed this week accuses the registered sex offender of possession of child pornography in Kalamazoo County. Kissinger has a court appearance scheduled next week.

According to court records, a federal probation officer in September conducted a home visit, which led to the discovery of an unauthorized cellphone that contained "hundreds and possibly thousands of images and videos that can be classified as child pornography."

Kissinger, 45, has convictions in state and federal courts.

In 2004, Kissinger was convicted in Kalamazoo County of sexually assaulting a 15-year-old boy he met at church, court records show. Kissinger "groomed the boy by showing him gay pornography," and eventually had sex with the teen multiple times over the span of five months, court records show. The conviction put Kissinger on probation for several years.

After he was discharged from state supervision, Kissinger began to trade and collect child pornography, leading to his arrest in April of 2013, court records show.

"The pattern he has exhibited indicates that the defendant has both an addiction to child pornography and a corresponding interest in hands-on sexual activity with minor boys," an assistant U.S. attorney wrote in a 2013 sentencing memorandum.

A federal judge sentenced Kissinger to 11 years in prison, followed by supervised release. Kissinger was on supervised release and working in Battle Creek when the latest charge surfaced.

He's facing between 10 and 20 years in prison on an enhanced charge of possession of child pornography. Kissinger has a federal court appearance scheduled for Dec. 1 in Grand Rapids.

https://www.woodtv.com/news/kalamazoo-county/sex-offender-twice-convicted-faces-new-child-porn-charge/#:~:text=Kissinger%20was%20on%20supervised%20release,1%20in%20Grand%20Rapids

Hamilton man arrested on numerous child porn charges

By FOR THE TRENTONIAN | The Trentonian PUBLISHED: October 11, 2023 at 12:07 p.m.

HAMILTON — A township man was arrested on numerous child pornography charges, Mercer County Prosecutor Angelo J. Onofri announced Wednesday.

Nicholas Occhipinti, 31, has been arrested following an investigation into online child exploitation. Occhipinti now faces several charges, including second-degree distribution of child pornography, third-degree possession of child pornography, second-degree possession with the intent to distribute child pornography, and three narcotics offenses, including a first-degree possession with the intent to distribute charge. The prosecutor's office has also sought to detain Occhipinti until his trial.

The investigation began when detectives from the prosecutor's Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Unit received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding child pornography distribution in Mercer County. Following the lead, they identified Occhipinti as a suspect.

On Friday, October 6, authorities from the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office, Homeland Security Investigations Newark, and the Hamilton Police Division executed search warrants at Occhipinti's residence in Hamilton. During the search, detectives seized multiple pieces of evidence. They also discovered a small quantity of methamphetamine, various pills, and over 2,000 doses of LSD within the home. The arrest was made without incident.

Occhipinti could face serious penalties if convicted. First-degree crimes are punishable by 10 to 20 years in state prison and a fine of up to \$200,000. Second-degree crimes can result in a sentence of five to 10 years in state prison and a fine of up to \$150,000, while third-degree crimes may lead to a sentence of three to five years in state prison and a fine of up to \$15,000.

Prosecutor Onofri emphasized the importance of reporting any information about improper internet contact with children or potential child exploitation or abuse. Those with relevant information are encouraged to reach out to the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Unit at (609) 989-6568 or the New Jersey Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force tip line at (888) 648-6007. https://www.trentonian.com/2023/10/11/hamilton-man-arrested-on-numerous-child-porn-charges/

Marseilles Teenager Accused of Possessing Child Porn

Jul 17, 2023 Updated Jul 18, 2023

A teenager from Marseilles was arrested by the LaSalle County Sheriff's Office on July 13th.

Nicholas Rutherford was charged with one count of possessing child porn, a class two felony and two counts of possession child porn, both class three felonies.

The 19-year-old Rutherford is accused of possessing a video and two images of underage children on an electronic device.

The case was investigated by the LaSalle County Sheriff's Office. He remains in the LaSalle County Jail on a \$50,000 bond.

http://www.wcsjnews.com/news/local/marseilles-teenager-accused-of-possessing-child-porn/article_b6840998-2491-11ee-a704-67f1536c8ae9.html

Cumberland man accused of possessing child pornography, methamphetamine

By WEAU Staff

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BARRON COUNTY, Wis. (WEAU) - A Cumberland man is accused of possessing child pornography and methamphetamine.

A criminal complaint shows 41-year-old **Noah Browning** is charged with possession of child pornography, possession of child pornography, possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of drug paraphernalia.

The complaint says authorities received a CyberTip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, who was alerted from Snapchat of a photograph of suspected child pornography that was uploaded, saved or shared.

According to the complaint, authorities searched Browning's home on Nov. 2, 2023, in Cumberland. At the home, authorities found a glass smoking device with white residue as well as bags that had a white crystalline substance inside. An additional multi-colored smoking device with burnt residue was found.

The complaint notes that the substance in the bags field tested positive for the presence of methamphetamine. The glass smoking device with white residue also field tested positive for the presence of methamphetamine. The multicolored smoking device with burnt residue field tested positive for the presence of THC.

According to the complaint, Browning said that someone sent him the image of child pornography on Kik. Browning said he saved the image and may have sent it to others during conversations online.

Browning also said there was a video of child pornography saved on his phone.

Court records show a \$10,000 cash bond is set for Browning, and a court appearance is scheduled for Dec. 13, 2023.

https://www.weau.com/2023/11/06/cumberland-man-accused-possessing-child-pornography-methamphetamine/

Hailey Man Sentenced to 3 Years for Possession of Child Pornography

Friday, October 2, 2020 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Idaho

BOISE – **Noah Fischman**, 20, of Hailey, Idaho, was sentenced in U.S. District Court to 36 months in federal prison for possession of child pornography, U.S. Attorney Bart M. Davis announced today. Chief U.S. District Judge David C. Nye also sentenced Fischman to 15 years of supervised release following his prison sentence. Fischman pleaded guilty to the charge on July 7, 2020.

According to court records, the investigation began after Chat Step and Skype reported that child pornography had been uploaded to various online accounts between June 5, 2016 and November 3, 2018. The reports were assigned to the Idaho Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force for investigation. ICAC learned that the IP address used to upload child pornography to the online accounts was tied to Fischman's residence in Hailey. ICAC obtained a search warrant for Fischmans's residence and then seized his computer after executing the search warrant. A forensic examination of the computer revealed approximately 4,900 files of child pornography. Fischman admitted to accessing child pornography and to saving child pornography to his computer. Fischman also admitted to receiving child pornography from other users on Chat Step and Skype.

Judge Nye also ordered Fischman to pay restitution of \$60,000 to victims in the images he possessed and to pay a special assessment of \$5,100. As a result of his conviction, Fischman will be required to register as a sex offender.

This case was investigated by the Idaho ICAC Task Force with assistance from United States Postal Inspection Service and Hailey Police Department, and was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. As part of Project Safe Childhood, the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Idaho and the Idaho Attorney General's Office partner to marshal federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who sexually exploit children, and to identify and rescue victims.

 $https://www.justice.gov/usao-id/pr/hailey-man-sentenced-3-years-possession-child-pornography\#: $$\sim:text=BOISE\%20\%E2\%80\%93\%20Noah\%20Fischman\%2C\%2020\%2C,Davis\%20announced\%20today$

Dublin youth counselor arrested for allegedly possessing child pornography

Police obtain warrant after four-month investigation

by Nicole GonzalesDecember 12, 2023Updated January 22, 2024

Dublin Police Services recently arrested a local man who was employed as a youth counselor for allegedly having sexually explicit content of children in his possession.

DPS officers served an arrest warrant on **Nobumasa Masubuchi**, a 23-year-old Dublin resident, at approximately 3:15 p.m. Nov. 24, according to Capt. Gurvinder Gosal. Investigators have reportedly been looking into the suspect for the last four months, including hours of surveillance and authoring search warrants.

"During the course of the investigation, it was discovered Masubuchi possessed a multitude of (child sexual abuse material) depicting victims of sexual assaults possibly as young as 4 years of age," Gosal said in a press release.

Masubuchi worked as a counselor in a Sacramento facility for special needs youth, and he often assisted clients and regularly conducted home visits of atrisk minors, according to Gosal.

The suspect was placed under arrest on suspicion of possessing child pornography. "Sacramento County officials have been notified and no additional crimes have been confirmed at this time," Gosal said.

"He bailed out of custody not too long after we arrested and booked him into Santa Rita Jail," Gosal added. Masubuchi had no previous criminal record, according to the captain.

Gosal told the Weekly prosecutors have not yet pressed formal charges in the case.

https://www.pleasantonweekly.com/news/2023/12/12/dublin-youth-counselor-arrested-for-allegedly-possessing-child-pornography/

SVPD: arrests made for child exploitation in three separate cases

By: Reyna Preciado

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TUCSON, Ariz. (KGUN) — Last week, Local Arizona Internet Crimes Against Children (AZ ICAC) arrested three individuals in Sierra Vista in separate cases involving child-sex exploitation.

Homeland Security Investigation (HSI) Agents arrested 59-year-old Tucson resident David Charron after a month long investigation. Charron was caught in a plan to meet who he believed to be a 14-year-old in Sierra Vista.

The investigation started when Charron contacted the individual in May 2023. On June 6, he planned to go to a hotel with the "14-year-old" and have sexual intercourse. He was arrested at the meeting location and evidence was found in relation to the crime in his vehicle.

Charron is now in custody at the Federal Correctional Facilities in Florence on the federal charge of sexual exploitation of children.

On Thursday June 8, HSI Special Agents and Sierra Vista Police Department (SVPD) Detectives arrested 51-year-old Norbert Felix (pictured on the right) after completion of a search warrant.

In early April 2023, SVPD received a National Center for Missing and Exploited Children Cybertip from the AZ ICAC regarding a Sierra Vista resident who had transferred material of child sexual abuse onto a cloud storage platform.

Several search warrants eventually led to the residence of **Norbert Felix**, where he was arrested on June 8 without incident. He is now in Cochise County Jail on a bond of \$75,000. He is facing charges of four counts of sexual exploitation of minors.

The most recent of the three arrests was made on Saturday June 10. Jonathan Shiffler (pictured on the left), 23 years old, was arrested by HSI Special Agents and SVPD Detectives without incident.

In early April of last year, a Sierra Vista resident made a complaint that a 15-yearold Sierra Vista resident was being solicited to send illicit images of themselves to different individuals through an online gaming application.

After a year long investigation, detectives secured evidence of a two-year long relationship between Shiffler and the juvenile. The relationship involved purchases of child sexual abuse material.

Shiffler, a Georgia man, traveled to Sierra Vista to engage in sexual intercourse with the juvenile at a local hotel. Authorities conducted a search warrant at the hotel to find evidence of the planned encounter.

Shiffler is currently in Cochise County Jail facing charges of sexual exploitation of a minor, aggravated luring of a minor, luring of a minor, and involving a minor in a drug offense.

https://www.kgun9.com/news/local-news/svpd-arrests-made-for-child-exploitation-in-three-separate-cases

Child Pornography Charges Filed Against Clearwater Man: Sheriff

The Pinellas sheriff's office has arrested a Clearwater man for possession of child pornography and transmission of child pornography.

D'Ann Lawrence White, Patch Staff Posted Fri, May 19, 2023 at 12:34 pm ET

CLEARWATER, FL — Pinellas County sheriff's detectives assigned to the Crimes Against Children Unit have arrested a Clearwater man for possession of child pornography and transmission of child pornography.

On Feb. 15, detectives began an investigation after receiving information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that child pornography was being uploaded via the internet in the Clearwater area.

Detectives were able to trace the internet address to 44-year-old **Osamah Khalil** of Heron Terrace Apartments, who was arrested on Wednesday and charged with two counts of possession of child pornography and two counts of transmission of child pornography.

When Khalil was interviewed by detectives, he admitted to receiving and transmitting child pornography.

https://patch.com/florida/clearwater/child-pornography-charges-filed-against-clearwater-man-sheriff

Search of WIU dorm room results in child porn arrest

By WGEM Staff

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MACOMB (WGEM) - Macomb Interim Police Chief Jeff Hamer reported Wednesday that a Chicago man had been arrested following the investigation into the online distribution of child pornography.

Hamer stated that 19-year-old **Oscar Herrera** had been arrested following a search warrant on a dorm room within Thompson Hall on the campus of Western Illinois University.

According to Hamer, Macomb Police assigned to the Illinois Attorney General Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC), found evidence that Herrera was in possession of child pornography.

Hamer reported that Herrera was charged with possession of child pornography and possession of child pornography with the intent to distribute.

Herrera was lodged at the McDonough County Jail pending a \$50,000 bond.

Macomb Police were assisted in the search by the Western Illinois University Office of Public Safety.

Herrera will have a preliminary hearing on May 31 at 2 p.m. https://www.wgem.com/2023/05/10/search-wiu-dorm-room-results-child-porn-arrest/

Midlander arrested in connection with child pornography case

By Mercedes Cordero, Staff writer Updated Aug 16, 2023 8:17 p.m.

A 19-year-old Midland man was arrested Tuesday in connection with a child pornography case, according to court documents.

In March Homeland Security Investigations(HSI) received information from Internet Crime Against Children (ICAC) and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding materials defined in federal law as child pornography. The tip stated that child sexual abuse material was uploaded via a Discord1 account around Dec. 2022. Investigators learned that five videos were uploaded to the account.

HSI Midland agents obtained a search warrant for the Discord account and found the the username was registered to an "Oscar Natividad." The search warrant also found that the account had multiple login activities between Dec. 14 2022 and May 1, 2023, according to the arrest affidavit.

Agents confirmed that the account belonged to Oscar Robert Natividad Jr with state records.

On Aug. 15 HSI agents executed a residential search warrant for electronics with the assistance of the Midland County Sheriff's Office. During the search of Natividad's phone agents found that the Discord account had been deleted. When asked about the conversations sent by his account Natividad claimed that he did not recall the conversations but later stated he was under the influence while chatting, according to the arrest affidavit.

Natividad was presented with "selfie" style photos he uploaded to the platform and confirmed it was him.

During the search of his phone officials found a secure photo folder with multiple photos of naked female subjects and pornography was also located, according to the arrest affidavit.

Natividad eventually confessed to "seeking, possessing and uploading child pornography," according to the arrest affidavit.

Natividad is being held in Midland County Jail for possession with intention to promote child pornography, a second-degree felony and possession of child pornography, a third-degree felony. Bond information was not available. https://www.mrt.com/news/crime/article/midlander-arrested-connection-child-pornography-18299676.php

Two Warrensburg Men Arrested on Child Porn Charges

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Two Warrensburg men were arrested by the Missouri State Highway Patrol on Tuesday in Johnson County.

59-year-old **Owen Anderson** and 60-year-old Denning Fields, both of Warrensburg, were arrested on charges of felony promoting child pornography. Anderson was also charged with 1st degree felony possession of child pornography.

Fields was processed and released roadside, while Anderson was taken to the Johnson County Jail on a 24-hour hold and booked at 5:41 p.m.

Anderson's bond was set at \$25,000. https://ksisradio.com/two-warrensburg-men-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/

Cybertips Lead To Arrest of Man with Child Porn

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On Feb. 23, Davie County Sheriff's Office executed a search warrant at a residence on US 158 in Mocksville in reference to multiple cybertips from the N.C. Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. After evaluation of the devices recovered from the search warrant, multiple files of child sexual abuse material were located, reported Davie Sheriff's Chief Deputy Brian Jacoobs. On March 7, warrants were issued for **Owen Matthew Lemm**, 20, for 10 counts of third-degree exploitation of a minor. He was arrested without incident and is being held at the Davie County Detention Center un a \$30,000 bond and is scheduled for his first appearance March 16 in Davie District Court.

The investigation is ongoing and more charges are expected. If anyone has any information related to this case, contact Detective Sergeant C. Bolin at 336-936-2985.

https://www.ourdavie.com/2023/03/15/cybertips-lead-to-arrest-of-man-with-child-porn/

Mt. Vernon, III. woman facing child porn charge

By Amber Ruch

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JEFFERSON COUNTY, Ill. (KFVS) - A Mount Vernon woman was charged with child pornography after a cybert tip from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Pamela J. Hiatt, 69, was arrested on Friday, May 19 on a warrant charging her with child pornography.

She was taken to the Jefferson County Jail on a \$75,000 bond (10 percent).

According to the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, Hiatt posted bond and was released the same day as her arrest.

The investigation began April 26 after deputies received the cyber tip through their membership with the task force.

They got search warrants for digital records. Deputies say evidence was recovered during a search of the home in the 900 block of Warren Avenue on May 10.

https://www.kfvs12.com/2023/05/22/mt-vernon-ill-woman-facing-child-porn-charge/

La Crosse man accused of possessing child pornography, methamphetamine

By WEAU Staff

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LA CROSSE COUNTY, Wis. (WEAU) -A La Crosse man is accused of possessing child pornography and methamphetamine.

A criminal complaint shows 34-year-old **Parker Barnes** is facing charges of possession of child pornography, possession of methamphetamine, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

According to the criminal complaint, four CyberTips were received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding possible possession of child pornography. Google identified that a total of 746 media files were uploaded onto the Google platform that were suspected to be related to child pornography.

Investigation led authorities to suspect the IP addresses from the CyberTips were connected to Barnes.

A criminal complaint says an investigator had known who Barnes was from the La Crosse YMCA and had seen Barnes teaching music lessons to children at the La Crosse branch YMCA.

According to the criminal complaint, authorities made contact with YMCA personnel and was told that Parker Barnes was supposed to teach music lessons at the La Crosse YMCA on June 27, 2023. Authorities told the YMCA they would be making contact with Parker just prior to him entering the YMCA to take him into custody.

The criminal complaint says when authorities made contact with Barnes, they found a baggie on Barnes that contained a crystalline substance that authorities suspected to be methamphetamines. They also found a glass smoking device with what appeared to be residue of methamphetamines.

Court records show a preliminary hearing is scheduled for July 5, 2023. https://www.weau.com/2023/06/28/la-crosse-man-accused-possessing-child-pornography-methamphetamine/

Talbot Co. man arrested for possession of child pornography

April 3, 2023 by Sarah Ash

TILGHMAN, Md. – A Talbot County man has been arrested following an investigation into the distribution and possession of child pornography.

In March 2023, the Talbot County Sheriff's Office received a National Center for Missing and Exploited Children cyber tip involving 21-year-old **Parker Matta**. With assistance from the Howard County Police Department, it was learned that Matta sent an image containing child pornography to another subject via social media in December of 2022.

Detectives subsequently obtained a search warrant for Matta's residence and executed the warrant on March 31st. Additional evidence was recovered from Matta's electronic devices, and he was subsequently arrested at the scene.

Matta was charged with one count of distribution of child pornography and two counts of possession of child pornography. He was held without bond.

Police are asking anyone with information on this case to contact Corporal Faggert at 410-822-1020 or email sfaggert@talbotcountymd.gov. https://www.wmdt.com/2023/04/talbot-co-man-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography/

Former Nashua firefighter charged with 15 counts of possession of child sexual abuse images

By Claudia Chick

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NASHUA, N.H. —

A former Nashua firefighter is now facing 15 counts of possession of child sexual abuse images.

Patrick Reardon was arrested April 28 after two arrest warrants had been issued following an investigation with in conjunction with Derry Police and the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Reardon turned himself in to Derry police and was released on recognizance bail on both warrants.

The Nashua Fire Department issued a statement in which it said Reardon is no longer employed at the fire house. He was employed there for nine years.

In the statement, the fire department also said it had no further comment on the matter.

Reardon is set to appear in court June 1 for six alleged counts and also on June 2 for the remaining nine allegations.

https://www.wmur.com/article/former-nashua-firefighter-child-sexual-abuse-images/43815179#

South St. Paul Schools IT director resigns after child porn charge

By NICK FERRARO | nferraro@pioneerpress.com | Pioneer Press PUBLISHED: March 20, 2023 at 6:46 p.m

The director of technology for South St. Paul schools resigned last week after he was charged with possessing child pornography at his Hudson home.

Investigators searched **Paul Michael Brashear's** home on March 6 and found a computer flash drive with hundreds of images of child pornography, according to a criminal complaint filed against the 63-year-old on March 13 in St. Croix County Circuit Court.

The school district said in letters it sent to families last week that Brashear was put on administrative leave after his March 6 arrest and that the district is cooperating with law enforcement and other law enforcement agencies. He resigned March 14.

The school district said law enforcement "has indicated the allegations against [Brashear] did not appear to occur on district property or any of its district devices." Brashear's job was a district office-based position "responsible for the oversight of technology operations and infrastructure and does not have direct or daily contact with students," the district said.

Brashear has been charged with one count of possession of child pornography. He made an initial court appearance March 13 and was released from jail the same day after posting a \$5,000 cash bond. A defense attorney is not listed in court records.

According to the criminal complaint, the St. Croix County sheriff's office began an investigation March 6 after receiving a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, which reported that Microsoft flagged an image on Oct. 30 as "apparent child pornography."

Investigators traced the image, which showed a nude prepubescent girl on a bed, to an IP address connected to Brashear's home.

Investigators executed a search warrant of the home on March 6, and brought Brashear outside. Although he was not under arrest at the time, he agreed to talk to a sheriff's office investigator.

In the conversation, which was recorded by the investigator's body-worn camera, Brashear admitted to saving and storing child pornography on a flash drive that could be found in his desk drawer in the basement, the complaint says.

Brashear said no child pornography was on his work computer and he "denied any allegations of inappropriate issues with children at his current place of employment," the complaint states.

Brashear said he has been addicted to pornography for several decades and that "he could not recall where the line was for him when he started to venture into child pornography, but said it has been at least a couple years," the complaint states. He said the last time he viewed child pornography could have been within the past week, but he was unsure.

Brashear told investigators he started work in IT after leaving teaching, the complaint says.

A digital forensic examiner seized electronics and the flash drive, which contained child pornography. Brashear was arrested and booked into the St. Croix County jail.

Investigators used software to extract files found on the SanDisk flash drive. An image folder contained hundreds of images of suspected child pornography that ranged from toddler to pubescent victims, according to the complaint.

"The majority observed while scrolling was prepubescent females engaged in various sexual acts," an investigator wrote in his report.

On Wednesday, the school district responded to a data practices request made Monday by the Pioneer Press. Brashear's personnel file does not include prior discipline or complaints, the district said. He'd been the district's IT director since March 1, 2015, and was making just over \$142,000 a year.

The district said it would not provide comment beyond what it shared in the letters to families.

Brashear is due back in court Wednesday.

https://www.twincities.com/2023/03/20/south-st-paul-schools-it-director-resigns-after-child-porn-charge/

Sarasota man faces additional charges for video voyeurism and possessing obscene material of a child

ON: MAY 6, 2023

ARTICLES WRITTEN BY FRANKIE, THE SCOOP ON LOCAL SUNCOAST NEWS

Paul Furr has a history of arrest, going back to December, when he was arrested on over 40 counts of possessing material depicting child sex and video voyeurism. It appears additional charges were attached to Paul's case on 5.5.23.

On the voyeurism charges, Paul put hidden cameras in different bathrooms and would record woman at a home on Delmonte Ave and PDF Roofing. You can read the Probable Cause Affidavit from the original voyeurism charges by clicking — >>> here. There are several PCA's, stemming from the investigations. A few of the PCA's are below, just click on the "PCA" wording and the document will pull up.

- PCA1 Another voyeurism charge
- PCA2 Related to possessing material of a child.
- <u>PCA3 –</u> Videotaping sexual intercourse. (a few PCA's on this one)
- <u>PCA4</u> 27 videos of child pornography, 1731 images, and 39 videos. Some kids are 8 and 9.

There are several others out there, which you can find on the clerk's site. He is being held at county, with one bound for \$280,000.

 $https://\bar{t}he suncoast news.com/2023/05/s arasota-man-faces-additional-charges-for-video-voyeur is m-and-possessing-obscene-material-of-a-child/$

2 suspects in separate cases arrested for child pornography in Placer County

BY NORAFIQIN HAIROMAN
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PLACER COUNTY -- Suspects in two separate cases were arrested in a bid to crack down on child pornography, said authorities.

According to detectives with the Placer County Sheriff's Office, the two suspects were arrested during an Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) operation.

One of the suspects, 22-year-old Frederick Li, was arrested at his home in Roseville where Roseville police officers and Placer County probation officers served a search warrant and found hundreds of child pornography images.

The second suspect, 40-year-old **Paul Hughes**, was also served a search warrant in his home and employment in Colfax. Evidence of child pornography was found and it was also discovered that Hughes had been taking photos of children and secretly filming women in a restroom.

Hughes was arrested for possession and distribution of child pornography, and invasion of privacy.

https://www.cbsnews.com/sacramento/news/2-suspects-separate-cases-arrested-child-pornography-placer-county/

Chatsworth Man Accused of Possessing Child Porn

WCSJ Jun 28, 2023 Updated Jun 29, 2023

The Livingston County Sheriff's Office arrested a man accused of possessing child porn at a location in Chatsworth around 9:20 a.m. on June 27th.

Paul Ruszczyk, 69, of Chatsworth was charged with six counts of possessing child porn, all class three felonies. Ruszczyk is accused of possessing six photos of nude children under the age of 18 at a residence in Chatsworth.

A search warrant was executed by police after they received a tip from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force which was via the Illinois Attorney General's Office. He remains in the Livingston County Jail.

The Fairbury Police Department and LaSalle County Sheriff's Office assisted in the investigation.

 $https://www.wcsjnews.com/news/local/chatsworth-man-accused-of-possessing-child-porn/article_99cc84a8-15f3-11ee-81cf-fff5b35929fa.html$

Summerville man facing 13 charges connected to sexual exploitation of a minor

By Patrick Phillips

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SUMMERVILLE, S.C. (WCSC) - Dorchester County deputies arrested a Summerville man on multiple charges after investigators say they received a tip about child pornography.

Paul Ralph Thomas, Jr., 41, is charged with 13 counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, according to a release from the South Carolina Attorney General's Office.

Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children which led them to Thomas, Attorney General's Office spokesman Robert Kittle said. Investigators state Thomas distributed files of the illegal material.

Thomas was arrested on Feb. 2 and faces up to 10 years of prison for each count if he is convicted.

Thomas was released on bond after a judge set bond at \$5,000 for each charge, for a total of \$65,000, jail records state.

The Attorney General's Office will prosecute the case.

https://www.live5news.com/2023/02/15/summerville-man-facing-13-charges-connected-sexual-exploitation-minor/

'What gets children victimized': Man arrested in alleged child porn case out on own recognizance

By Michaela Harris Jul 13, 2023

Officials with the Sutter County Sheriff's Office announced the recent arrest of a Sutter resident for allegedly possessing and distributing child pornography.

According to officials, in June, the Sutter County Sheriff's Investigations Unit received a cyber tip from the National Center For Missing and Exploited Children regarding someone uploading child pornography to an electronic service provider.

The Center for Missing and and Exploited Children is an online reporting mechanism for cases of child sexual exploitation including child pornography, online enticement of children for sexual acts and other crimes related to child abuse.

Officials said this tip led investigators to a residence in Sutter for alleged child pornography activity. Detectives executed a search warrant and arrested 58-year-old **Paul Wheeler.**

The search allegedly resulted in investigators discovering numerous electronic devices and material related to child sexual abuse. A forensic extraction of the devices found thousands of child porn images and videos, officials said.

Wheeler was arrested and booked into the Sutter County Jail under charges of possession and distribution of child pornography.

According to Wheeler's custody status, he was booked into the Sutter County Jail on June 21. However, as of July 8, Wheeler is out of custody on his own recognizance.

Sutter County District Attorney Jennifer Dupré confirmed with the Appeal that Wheeler was released over the DA office's objection.

According to Dupré, the factors that contribute to the court making this decision are whether a defendant will return to court and if they are a threat to public safety. Dupré also said that Wheeler's father was present during his hearing and that Wheeler is his father's primary caretaker, a factor which was considered in the court's decision.

While the courts believe that Wheeler met the conditions to be released on his own recognizance, Dupré believes that the nature of his alleged crimes pose a danger to the public.

"Even though he wasn't personally taking photos, the demand that sharing these photos creates is what gets children victimized," Dupré said.

Wheeler is scheduled to appear in court for a preliminary hearing on July 19. https://www.appeal-democrat.com/news/what-gets-children-victimized-man-arrested-in-alleged-child-porn-case-out-on-own-recognizance/article_b58966bc-21d2-11ee-b67e-f7f579a4249c.html

Man arrested after admitting to possession of child porn, Hanford Police say

by: John Houghton

Posted: Nov 6, 2023 / 10:41 AM PST Updated: Nov 6, 2023 / 04:46 PM PST

HANFORD, Calif. (KSEE/KGPE) – A man was arrested in Hanford after he admitted to downloading child sexual abuse material, according to the Hanford Police Department.

Police say on Sept. 18, detectives with the Hanford Police Department began investigating a report of the possession and distribution of child sexual abuse material after receiving a cyber tip from NCMEC (National Center for Missing and Exploited Children).

Over the course of the investigation and multiple search warrants, police say a suspect was identified as 41-year-old **Pedro Ramos**.

Investigators say on Nov. 2, police executed a search warrant and contacted Ramos.

Ramos was interviewed and police say he admitted to downloading child sexual abuse material and was subsequently arrested. He was booked on suspicion of possession/distribution of images depicting a minor engaging in sexual activity. https://www.yourcentralvalley.com/news/crime/man-arrested-after-admitting-to-possession-of-child-porn-police-say/

Montpelier Resident Arrested for Possession of Child Sexual Abuse Material

Press Releases

October 11, 2023

The Attorney General's Office announced that Grace Gamble (charged as **Peter Gamble**), 27, of Montpelier, Vermont, was arraigned earlier this week on five felony counts of possession of child sexual abuse material. The charges brought against the defendant are the result of a criminal investigation, including the execution of residential and online data search warrants, conducted by the Vermont Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (VT-ICAC), including personnel from the Attorney General's Office, Homeland Security Investigations, Montpelier Police Department, Burlington Police Department, Bennington Police Department, and Manchester Police Department.

The investigation was initiated when VT-ICAC received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that an individual was suspected to possess images of child sexual abuse material on a Synchronoss Technologies/Verizon Cloud account. Based on the criminal investigation of that tip, the defendant was identified as the source and owner of the account that contained the child sexual abuse materials.

The defendant pleaded not guilty at the arraignment on October 9, 2023, in Vermont Superior Court, Washington Unit Criminal Division. The Court, Judge John Pacht presiding, ordered conditions of release which restrict the defendant's access to minors and internet content.

VT-ICAC investigates cases of child sexual exploitation occurring over the internet, including the production and online distribution of child sexual abuse materials. VT-ICAC also provides forensic examination services, technical assistance, law enforcement training, and public education and outreach.

Every child deserves a safe childhood. The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) is the nation's centralized reporting system for the online exploitation of children. Anyone can make reports of suspected online enticement of children for sexual acts, child sexual molestation, child sexual abuse material, child sex tourism, child sex trafficking, unsolicited obscene

materials sent to a child, misleading domain names, and misleading words or digital images on the internet. To make a report, call the 24-hour call center at 1-800-843-5678 or visit https://report.cybertip.org.

Additionally, if you are recovering from child sexual exploitation, you do not have to navigate it alone. NCMEC can help with emotional and peer support, removing content from the internet, and locating mental health professionals. For more information, please

visit https://www.missingkids.org/gethelpnow/csam-resources or call the 24-hour call center at 1-800-843-5678.

The Attorney General's Office emphasizes that individuals charged with a crime are legally presumed innocent until their guilt is proven beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

 $https://ago.vermont.gov/blog/2023/10/11/montpelier-resident-arrested-possession-child-sexual-abuse-material \#: $$\sim:text=Montpelier%20Resident%20Arrested%20for%20Possession%20of%20Child%20Sexual%20Abuse%20Material.-$

Category&text=The%20Attorney%20General's%20Office%20announced,of%20child%20sexual%20abuse%20material

2 Child Porn Cases Lead To Prison Sentences For Howard County Men

Two Howard County men have been sentenced in separate child pornography possession cases, according to the prosecutor.

Kristin Danley-Greiner, Patch Staff Posted Tue, May 16, 2023 at 1:20 pm ET | Updated Tue, May 16, 2023 at 1:22 pm

HOWARD COUNTY, MD — A Columbia man and a Laurel man have been sentenced for possessing child pornography in two separate cases.

In separate cases, 30-year-old **Peter Matthew Harman** of Columbia faces one year of prison and five years of supervised probation after pleading guilty Feb. 6 to three counts of possessing child pornography. On March 15, 2022, detectives from the Howard County Police Department followed up on a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children of a file uploaded that contained child sexual abuse material. Their investigation led them to Harman.

A search warrant was obtained and executed, and a forensic examination was completed on Harman's phone and three other electronic items seized during the execution of the search warrant. More than 1,000 photos and videos depicting child pornography were recovered from the electronic devices that were seized, according to the Howard County State's Attorney's Office.

Hayk Manukyan, 23, of Laurel, also pleaded guilty to 10 counts of possession of child pornography. He has been sentenced to 25 years suspend all but three years, according to prosecutors.

https://patch.com/maryland/columbia/2-child-porn-cases-lead-prison-sentences-howard-county-men

Morehead City man charged with sexual exploitation of a minor

STAFF REPORT Mar 31, 2023 Updated Apr 1, 2023

MOREHEAD CITY — Detectives with the Carteret County Sheriff's Office Internet Crimes Against Children unit and the Morehead City Police Department arrested **Peyton Keith Ashton**, 19, of Morehead City on March 30.

Ashton was charged with two-counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor (possession of child abuse materials), two-counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor (distribution of materials), and one-count of felony secret peeping.

Equipment used to facilitate these crimes were seized. This was a joint undercover Internet Crimes Against Children CAC investigation conducted with the Morehead City Police Department.

Ashton is currently being held in the Carteret County Detention Center in Beaufort under a \$75,000 secured bond and was scheduled for an initial appearance in court March 31.

https://www.carolinacoastonline.com/news_times/article_f68f0376-cffa-11ed-b00c-bbcd8d301acb.html

Niles man pleads guilty to sending obscene video to minors

The content of the video was not disclosed, but Niles Police Captain John Marshall previously told 21 News Manfredi had been on police's radar for at least a year.

Wednesday, July 12th 2023, 12:20 PM EDT By Zach Mosca

A Niles man has pled guilty in court on Wednesday to sending obscene videos to minors.

According to a press release, 30-year-old **Philip Manfredi** pled guilty to a charge of disseminating material harmful to juveniles. The charge stems from an incident from early 2023 where police say Manfredi sent an obscene video to a minor.

The content of the video was not disclosed, but Niles Police Captain John Marshall previously told 21 News Manfredi had been on police's radar for at least a year when a similar case was reported out of western Pennsylvania in January of 2022.

According to the release, Manfredi will be sentenced after he undergoes a background investigation conducted by probation officers. https://www.wfmj.com/story/49185032/niles-man-pleads-guilty-to-sending-obscene-video-to-minors

Haubstadt man pleads guilty in 2020 child pornography case

By Monica Watkins

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PRINCETON, Ind. (WFIE) - A man who was arrested back in 2020 on child pornography charges has pled guilty.

According to a release, **Phillip Brundage** admitted to downloading and possessing thousands of pornographic images showing children engaged in sexual activity.

Brundage pled guilty to the level six felony charge on Wednesday.

Officials say sentencing is set for May 4 at 1:00 p.m.

https://www.14news.com/2023/02/15/haubstadt-man-pleads-guilty-2020-child-pornography-case/

Illinois man training to become Yorkville community service officer arrested on child pornography charges

By FOX 32 Digital Staff Published November 18, 2023 Updated 3:32PM Illinois FOX 32 Chicago

YORKVILLE, III. - A community service officer in training for the Yorkville Police Department was arrested on child pornography charges this week.

Radu A. Mogos, 20, has been charged with one count of distribution of child pornography, one count of reproduction of child pornography and 10 counts of possession of child pornography.

According to police, investigators with the Yorkville Police Department received a tip on Oct. 24 from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding Mogos being in possession of child pornography.

Investigators executed a search warrant at his residence based on the tip which resulted in the finding of illegal materials. Mogos was then arrested Friday.

Prior to receiving the tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Mogos was in training as a community service officer with the Yorkville Police Department, officials said.

When the department was made aware of the allegations against Mogos, he was removed from service and resigned from his position.

Officials say he was employed by the Yorkville Police Department for less than six weeks.

Mogos was set to appear in bond court on Saturday.

https: //www.fox 32 chicago.com/news/illinois-man-training-to-become-york ville-community-officer-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges

73-year-old man charged with 200+ counts of possession of child pornography

By Amia Lewis

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BOSSIER CITY, La. (KSLA) - A Bossier City man was arrested following an investigation for possessing pornography involving juveniles after detectives received a cyber tip.

According to officials with the Bossier Sheriff's Office, a search warrant was obtained and executed at the home of **Ralph Pondell**, 73. After forensic downloads of his electronic devices, detectives found 298 images of juvenile porn.

Pondell was arrested and charged with 298 counts of pornography involving juveniles. He was transported to the Bossier Parish Max, with bond set at \$550,000.

Detectives with the sheriff's office continue to aggressively investigate child sexual abuse cases with the ICAC team, the Attorney General's Office and with the aid of the latest technology. They encourage anyone with information regarding this crime or any other crimes against children to contact the Bossier Sheriff's Office at (318) 965-2203.

https://www.ksla.com/2023/11/08/73-year-old-man-charged-with-200-counts-pornography-involving-juveniles/

Registered Travelers Rest sex offender charged with new child-sex crimes

By David Ferrara Nov 2, 2023

TRAVELERS REST — A registered sex offender from Travelers Rest was arrested for having over 350 files of child sexual abuse material on his computer.

Randall Marion Bailey, 65, was charged with five counts of third degree sexual exploitation of a minor, according to South Carolina Attorney General's office arrest warrants.

Bailey was released Nov. 1 on a \$7,500 cash bond, according to state court records.

Investigators with the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, Greenville County Sheriff's Office and Attorney General's office made the arrest, according to an Attorney General news release.

The investigation began after a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children led investigators to Bailey. A search of Bailey's computer in his home found several child sexual-abuse material files, arrest warrants show.

Bailey has been registered on the state's Public Sex Offender registry since 1998, when he was convicted on one count of committing or attempting a lewd act on a child under the age of 16, according to the registry.

https://www.postandcourier.com/greenville/news/registered-travelers-rest-sex-offender-child-pornography-sex-abuse-material-investigation/article_2036a76a-79c4-11ee-9474-

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Johnson City man accused of possessing child pornography

By KAYLA HACKNEY khackney@sixriversmedia.com Oct 31, 2023

The Washington County Sheriff's Office arrested a Johnson City man accused of possessing, receiving and distributing child pornography on Tuesday.

According to a press release from the WCSO, deputies arrested **Randall East Brown**, 20, of Johnson City, on Oct. 31 and charged him with aggravated sexual exploitation of a minor.

The press release states that deputies served a search warrant at a home in the 2400 block of Sinking Creek Road in Johnson City where they interviewed Brown. The deputies claim during that interview Brown admitted to possessing, receiving and distributing child pornography.

Brown is being held at the Washington County Detention Center on a \$25,000 bond. He is set to appear in court on Nov. 1.

https://www.johnsoncitypress.com/news/crime/johnson-city-man-accused-of-possessing-child-pornography/article_65e931d8-7825-11ee-a4b5-fbb1d20422e4.html

Nanticoke man sentenced for sharing child sexual abuse materials

Ed Lewis, The Times Leader, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. July 11, 2022

Jul. 11—WILKES-BARRE — Immediately after Luzerne County President Judge Michael T. Vough denied a request to withdraw his guilty plea, **Randall Scott Fisher** was sentenced to state prison sharing child sexual abuse materials.

Fisher, 51, of East Green Street, Nanticoke, wanted to renege a plea agreement with prosecutors in November when he pled guilty to 11 counts of dissemination of photo or film involving children involved in sex acts.

Fisher argued his former attorney, Brian Corcoran, "guaranteed" house arrest, court records say.

Fisher's replacement attorney, Public Defender Charles Ross, filed a motion to withdraw the plea agreement, which was denied by Vough on Monday.

Vough sentenced Fisher to two-to-four years in state prison followed by three-years probation on the 11 counts of dissemination. Fisher was given credit for one day time served in jail.

Assistant District Attorney Carly Hislop said Fisher is mandated to register his address for 25 years under the state's Sexual Offender and Notification Act when he is released from prison.

Fisher, who was free on bail, was shackled inside the courtroom by sheriff deputies and transported to the county correctional facility.

County detectives and West Hazleton police, members of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, alleged Fisher created two Facebook Messenger accounts and received inappropriate images of children from an unknown person. Fisher then sent the images to other people, court records say.

When Fisher was arrested Sept. 2, 2020, he pledged not to possess or share child sexual abuse materials anymore.

https://news.yahoo.com/nanticoke-man-sentenced-sharing-child-192000771.html

Ex-Broker Whose Schwab-to-Morgan Stanley Jump Sparked \$13M Award Arrested on Child Porn Charges

by AdvisorHub Staff April 20, 2023

A former high-net worth Charles Schwab Corp. broker–whose move to Morgan Stanley was the focal point of a \$13 million arbitration award issued last month–has been arrested in Florida on unrelated charges.

Randall B. Kiefner, 61, pleaded not guilty on April 5 to 21 counts of possession and/or distribution of child pornography, according to the Seminole County sheriff's office. County detectives went to Kiefner's house after a tip from Yahoo Inc. about "presumed child pornography" that had been detected on his email, according to court filings. Kiefner admitted to seeking and sharing child pornography with an online group and said that his "addiction" began four years ago after he lost his job at Morgan Stanley, according to the report.

Kiefner's criminal defense lawyer, Carlos E. Payas in Orlando, did not return a request for comment on the arrest or how it might affect pending civil litigation tied to the 2019 career move. Kiefner is scheduled to appear in court on May 9.

Kiefner, who worked in Winter Park, Florida and started his career in 1990, has not been registered as a broker since Morgan Stanley fired him in 2019 one month after he had joined from Schwab.

A three-person arbitration panel in February ordered Morgan Stanley, Kiefner and his former partner to pay more than \$3.03 million in compensatory damages to Schwab and also cover \$1.2 million in attorney fees and costs. Morgan Stanley alone was ordered to pay Schwab another \$3.03 million in punitive damages based on claims of unfair competition and that it encouraged the brokers to break employment contracts when they moved.

Morgan Stanley also was ordered to pay Kiefner and his partner \$4.7 million based on separate claims of defamation, breach of contract and wrongful interference in their business relationships and cover \$700,000 in attorney fees.

The decision would result in a net payment of \$1.89 million to the brokers if the joint portions of the award to Schwab are split three ways. The panel also

granted the brokers permission to clear the "defamatory" U5 filings from Morgan Stanley from their public records.

Morgan Stanley last month sued Kiefner and his former partner as part of an attempt to force them to pay their portion of the \$13 million award. The wirehouse said that the brokers owed at least \$2.8 million of the \$4.32 million portion of the award for which arbitrators had held them "jointly" liable, but refused to pay, according to filings in New Jersey federal court. The court on April 12 ordered Morgan Stanley to place the \$2.8 million in escrow and that the firm's parallel arbitration against the brokers could proceed to a hearing on an expedited basis within 15 days.

Michael J. Forrester, a lawyer with Perrotta Fraser & Forrester who is representing Kiefner and his former partner in the Morgan Stanley litigation, did not immediately return a request for comment.

Kiefner and his former partner, who had managed a \$750 million book of business at Schwab, also continue to press a malpractice case against former outside counsel who represented them in the move. They claim that they were given bad advice about taking customer information.

https://www.advisorhub.com/ex-broker-whose-schwab-to-morgan-stanley-jump-sparked-13m-award-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/

ROGERS COUNTY MAN ARRESTED, SUSPECTED OF SHARING CHILD PORN

Rogers County deputies say a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children led them to an RV in Claremore. Investigators say their suspect s admitted to watching and sending videos of children having sex.

Thursday, March 2nd 2023, 5:01 pm By: News On 6, Reagan Ledbetter

ROGERS COUNTY, Okla. -

Rogers County deputies arrest a Claremore man accused of downloading and sending child sex abuse images and videos.

News On 6 rode along with investigators for the arrest.

Investigators say a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children led them to an RV in Claremore. Investigators say their suspect **Randall Nichols** admitted to watching and sending videos of children having sex. Authorities arrested Nichols and then searched his RV after and say they found evidence inside the RV that Nichols had been downloading and sending child pornography.

"This is becoming an increasing problem, if you look at the statistics, every year the number of URLs that are hosting child sexual abuse material is going up. I think they went up 60-something percent from 2020 to 2021," said Sergeant Chris Buck with the Rogers County Sheriff's Office.

Investigators say the problem is so big, they could have a whole team of people investigating nothing but this crime and they'd still have more work than they could handle. They say people think they can hide behind the internet.

"It's often the next-door neighbor, people you don't expect to do it. We've found people doing this of all occupations, genders, and all walks of life," said Buck.

Buck says they want to make it clear, watching or sending child pornography isn't a victimless crime.

"There's still a victim. Even though he is just downloading and sending, he may have never met this victim in person, there is still a child out there who is victimized and its our job to find justice for that child," said Buck.

Every time the picture or video is shared, the victim is re-victimized.

"We love catching bad guys, but these are the worst of the worst, and anybody that is willing to victimize a child, we want to put them in jail," said Buck.

Nichols was arrested for having child pornography and having guns in his RV while committing a felony. He's been booked into the Rogers County Jail. https://www.newson6.com/story/64012f6dce346008e4fa802f/rogers-county-man-arrested-suspected-of-sharing-child-porn-

Man facing 35 counts of child pornography

By K8 Newsdesk

Published: Sep. 11, 2023 at 10:25 AM EDT

BATESVILLE, Ark. (KAIT) - Arkansas State Police arrested a Batesville man after they reported finding him in possession of thousands of sexually explicit images involving children as young as infants.

On Friday, Sept. 8, an Independence County Circuit Court judge found probable cause to charge 57-year-old **Randall Earl Riley** with 35 counts of distributing, possessing, or viewing matter depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child.

Special Agent Sean Riegle reported ASP received a complaint on June 24, 2022, via the Cyber Tipline of someone sharing images of "naked prepubescent minor females posing in a sexual manner."

Information gathered during the investigation led officers to Riley's home on East College Street, the affidavit stated.

After confirming Riley was the only resident, officers executed a search warrant on Nov. 4, 2022, and seized five cellular devices and a laptop.

"The electronic devices were later analyzed by a digital evidence examiner," Riegle stated. "Approximately 1,157 CSAM images were located on two of Riley's cellular phone devices."

The affidavit said the images were of children ranging in age from infants to 5 or 6 years old.

According to the court documents, Riley admitted during a Mirandized interview that he downloaded and viewed images of child pornography.

"Riley admitted that images of child pornography sexually arouse him," the affidavit stated.

Riley is being held on a \$50,000 bond in the Independence County Detention Center awaiting his next court appearance.

https://www.kait8.com/2023/09/11/man-facing-35-counts-child-pornography/

Ormond Beach man arrested, accused of possessing child porn

By Sarah Wilson, WFTV.com March 15, 2023 at 2:58 pm EDT

VOLUSIA COUNTY, Fla. — An Ormond Beach man was arrested Tuesday on 23 charges of possessing child pornography, Volusia County deputies said.

Deputies said they found several explicit photos on **Raymond Brown's** computer after a tip came in from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, which alerts local law enforcement to reports of exploitation and child pornographic material shared online.

The 61-year-old is being held at the Volusia County Branch Jail on \$460,000 bail pending a first court appearance.

Due to the nature of the materials found, the Sheriff's Office said it is notifying the public of this case and is asking anyone who may have more information to contact the VSO Child Exploitation Unit at 386-323-3574.

https://www.wftv.com/news/local/ormond-beach-man-arrested-accused-possessing-child-porn/3WUXPDH2T5F4DG5R7SMDST2GGQ/

Salem man charged with nine counts of child pornography

By DENNIS ROSENBERGER Sentinel News Staff Nov 8, 2023 Updated Nov 13, 2023

SALEM — A 24-year-old Salem man is facing nine counts of child pornography following an investigation by the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force and the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office.

Rayshawn I. Reams, of West McMackin Street in Salem, was arrested by Salem police on Monday, Nov. 6 as a result of the ICAC Task Force investigation, which was led by Detective Bobby Wallace of the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office.

According to Wallace, the sheriff's office, through its affiliation with the ICAC Task Force, originally received a cyber tip report on September 7 from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding child pornography activity in the local area.

An investigation was then conducted and Reams was identified as a suspect, according to Wallace, with subsequent search warrants executed at the suspect's Salem residence.

The search warrants led to the seizure of electronic devices from the home. After those devices were processed by investigators, a number of pieces of evidence were allegedly found on the devices and Reams was arrested on the child pornography charges.

Following his arrest on Monday, Nov. 6 by Salem police, Reams was transported to the Marion County Jail, where he remains in custody, as of Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 8.

Official charges against Reams were filed by the Marion County State's Attorney's Office on Tuesday, Nov. 7, including nine counts of child pornography involving a victim under 13 years of age, all Class 2 felony offenses.

According to charging documents filed in court on Tuesday, Nov. 7, Reams is alleged to have possessed a number of videos depicting victims under the age of 13 engaged in sexual acts with with adults and each other.

During a first appearance in court on Tuesday, Nov. 7, public defender Craig Griffin was appointed to represent Reams. A hearing was also held on a petition filed by the state's attorney's office to deny pretrial release in the case, with that petition granted by the court.

A preliminary hearing in the case has been scheduled for 11 a.m. November 21 in Marion County Court.

https://www.morningsentinel.com/news/centralia/salem-man-charged-with-nine-counts-of-child-pornography/article_dc3f7a2a-034d-5272-8fa6-5a2d67ec90c8.html

PCSO Computer Crimes Unit charges eight for possession of child pornography during "OPERATION MAY'S MONSTERS"

JUN 1, 2023

Detectives from the Polk County Sheriff's Office Computer Crimes Unit (CCU) charged eight suspects during "Operation May's Monsters" for possession of child pornography after receiving tips from the National Center for Missing and Endangered Children (NCMEC) that the suspects were likely transmitting or downloading the child abuse images and videos. Detectives served search warrants at the eight suspects' houses and seized all of their digital devices for further analysis. A total of 1,280 felonies were filed against the suspects, who face additional charges if more illegal content is found.

"These videos and photographs are some of the most horrific my detectives have ever seen - images of children being forced to expose their genitalia and raped. Each time one of these monsters uploads and shares child pornography, they are feeding the child exploitation pipeline and they are victimizing children over and over again. Parents, this is another stark reminder of why it is important to get all in your child's business when it comes to their gaming stations, cell phones, and other electronic devices." – Grady Judd, Sheriff

In order of arrest:

49-year-old William Cuevas of Auburndale was arrested and charged with 66 counts of *enhanced possession of child pornography (F2) and one count of possession of child pornography (F3) after an on-scene preview of his devices, during which detectives found images and videos of children as young as 4 years-old being sexually battered. Cuevas is being held in the Polk County Jail on \$155,000 bond (\$5,000 per charge).

52-year-old Jay Homuth of Lakeland was arrested and charged with 999 counts of *enhanced possession of child pornography (F2) after an on-scene preview of his devices and forensic examination of his devices that were seized. Detectives found images and videos of children as young as 5 years-old being sexually battered. Homuth told detectives that he is addicted to child pornography and was uncertain how many illegal files would be located on his devices. He is being held in the Polk County Jail on a \$4,995,000 bond (\$5,000 per charge).

66-year-old David Sparks of Lakeland was arrested and charged with 999 counts of *enhanced possession of child pornography (F2) after an on-scene preview of his devices and forensic examination of his devices that were seized. Detectives found images of children as young as 3 months-old being sexually battered. He told detectives that he has been viewing child pornography off and on for about 30 years. Sparks is being held in the Polk County Jail on \$4,995,000 bond (\$5,000 per charge).

33-year-old Shayne Osborne of Polk City was arrested and charged with 201 counts of *enhanced possession of child pornography (F2) after an on-scene preview of his devices, during which detectives found images and videos of children as young as 12 months-old being sexually battered. Osborne told detectives that he had come across child pornography when searching for bestiality pornography. He also claimed to delete it after he downloaded it. Osborne is being held in the Polk County Jail on a \$1,005,000 bond (\$5,000 per charge).

39-year-old Ryan Thomas of Haines City was arrested and charged with 999 counts of *enhanced possession of child pornography (F2) after an on-scene preview of his devices, during which detectives found images and videos of children as young as 5 years-old being sexually battered. He is being held in the Polk County Jail.

40-year-old Paul Viel of Davenport was arrested and charged with 999 counts of *enhanced possession of child pornography (F2) after an on-scene preview of his devices and forensic examination of his devices that were seized. Detectives found images and videos of children as young as newborns being sexually battered. Viel works for Walt Disney World at the Cosmic Rays Restaurant. He is being held in the Polk County Jail on a \$4,995,000 bond (\$5,000 per charge).

24-year-old **Reid Donaldson** of Davenport was arrested and charged with eleven counts of *enhanced possession of child pornography (F2) after an on-scene preview of his devices, during which detectives found images and videos of children as young as 3 years-old being sexually battered. Donaldson is being held in the Polk County Jail on an \$110,000 bond (\$10,000 per charge).

Additionally, on April 24, 2023, the Polk County Sheriff's Office Emergency Communications Center received a tip that 58-year-old Stefan Young of Lakeland, a self-employed boudoir photographer, had posted an ad on Craig's List for a mother with two young daughters to contact him. When the tipster contacted him, Young disclosed that he had conducted boudoir shoots with

children as young as 13-years-old. Additionally, Young told the tipster that he'd taught underage girls various sex acts in the past.

Based on information obtained during the investigation, an undercover detective responded to Young's boudoir photoshoot advertisement. Young also told the undercover detective that he would conduct a boudoir-style photoshoot with an underage girl. Young then began an online conversation with a different undercover detective who was posing as a 13 year-old girl and asked if he could take nude photos of her. Additionally, Young requested the "13 year-old girl" to "sneak" a picture of herself and send it to him.

On May 25, 2023, detectives executed a search warrant at Young's residence and during an on-scene preview of his devices, detectives found three lewd images of a 9 year-old child.

Young was arrested and charged with three counts of possession of child pornography (F3) and is being held in the Polk County Jail on a \$30,000 bond (\$10,000 per charge).

The images did not appear to depict local Polk County children, but the investigation is ongoing to identify them.

- *The felony child pornography charges are upgraded (enhanced) if the suspect possesses 10 or more images of child pornography and at least one image contains any of the following criteria:
- Image depicts a child younger than the age of 5
- Image depicts sadomasochistic abuse of a child
- Image depicts sexual battery of a child
- Image depicts sexual bestiality involving a child
- Any sexually explicit movie involving a child

https://www.polksheriff.org/news-investigations/2023/06/01/pcso-computer-crimes-unit-charges-eight-for-possession-of-child-pornography-during-operation-may's-monsters

Man arrested on multiple child sexual abuse material charges in Little Rock

A 45-year-old Little Rock man was taken into custody Tuesday on 30 counts of distributing, possessing, or viewing child sexual abuse material.

Author: THV11 Digital

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — A 45-year-old Little Rock man was arrested on multiple charges involving child sexual abuse material.

Arkansas Attorney General Tim Griffin's Office said **Remone Stratton** was booked Tuesday into the Pulaski County Regional Detention Facility on 30 counts of distributing, possessing, or viewing child sexual abuse material.

"I am grateful to the special agents in my office who investigated this case," Griffin said. "We will not tolerate this kind of despicable victimization of children."

Stratton is currently being held on a \$150,000 bond.

https://www.thv11.com/article/news/local/little-rock-man-arrested-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges/91-59208f02-92ee-4293-8e98-92b3062fffb6

Lower Township man charged with possession of child pornography

Lynda Cohen|April 29, 2023

A Lower Township man is accused of downloading videos and images of child sexual abuse.

Rene Valentin, 31, turned himself in April 10, after an investigation sparked by a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Cape May County Prosecutor Jeffrey Sutherland and Lower Township Police Chief Kevin Lewis announced Friday.

A search of Valentin's residence in the township's Cape May section included the seizure of his vehicle containing personal effects, resulting in the charges, according to the report.

Valentin was not home at the time.

He was jailed, but has since been released, jail records show.

The third-degree charge carries a potential term of three to five years in prison. https://breakingac.com/2023/04/lower-township-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography/

Levittown Man Charged With Having Child Pornography

Richard John Anderson, 37, of Levittown, downloaded images of underage girls from a website, Falls Township Police said.

Dino Ciliberti, Patch Staff
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FALLS TOWNSHIP, PA —A Levittown man has been charged with possession of child pornography after telling Falls Township Police that he downloaded images off a website.

Richard John Anderson, 37, of Levittown, was charged with possession of child pornography and the sexual abuse of children through the dissemination of pictures and videos, the Falls Township Police Department said.

Anderson was preliminarily arraigned by District Judge Terry Hughes Wednesday afternoon with bail set at \$100,000.00 unsecured.

The judge also placed conditions on Anderson, including no contact with any minors, and that contact with his children must be under supervision. Anderson must also follow Children and Youth's safety plan, stay at his mother's address, and have no internet use.

On Thursday, Falls Township Police Detective Ronald MacPherson and other police officers executed search warrants on Richard Anderson and H&R block.

The warrants were executed at 153 Levittown Parkway in Levittown, where MacPherson found a blue Apple iPhone 14 in a black silicone case in Anderson's left pocket.

MacPherson later searched the phone's contents and found numerous saved images which depict child pornography and prohibited sexual acts.

Police noted three of those images:

A prepubescent female, about 12 years old, with brown hair laying naked on a bed exposing her breasts and vagina.

A pre-pubescent female, about 11-13 years old, wearing blue jeans and no shirt exposing her breasts.

Two pubescent females, about 13-16 years old, naked in the bathtub. One female is performing oral sex on the other female.

Anderson admitted to police that he went on a sex website which he said, "definitely some stuff" was questionable at best, such as kids.

The age ranges were usually teenagers from what Anderson reported viewing. Most of the time they are clothed, sometimes they are not. Sometimes, they are performing sexual acts, according to the affidavit.

MacPherson asked how he would get a video and Anderson said it was probably sent through the website. From the website, he would communicate with other people in the chat room.

MacPherson asked whether Anderson would exchange pornography or trade with people and Anderson said, "A little bit yeah."

MacPherson asked if any were teenagers and Anderson replied, "No." MacPherson asked if they were the people in question at least and he responded, "Maybe."

Anderson told police that he would upload the files stored on his phone onto the website.

During the interview, MacPherson went through photos on Anderson's phone. There were numerous photographs of what appeared to be prepubescent females (in their early teenage years). Anderson told police that he is sexually attracted to underage females.

Forensic analysis of the phone and other storage media and electronic devices seized during the search warrant is ongoing, police said.

https://patch.com/pennsylvania/levittown/levittown-man-charged-having-child-pornography

2 Gainesville men charged with child porn possession

Mainstreet Daily News Feb 17, 2023 2:00 pm

Gainesville police arrested two men over the past week with possession of child pornography.

According to two Gainesville Police Department (GPD) releases, **Richard Ashbrook**, 56, and Aaron Pioquinto, 20, were arrested for possession of child pornography.

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After being interviewed, Pioquinto admitted that the account where the images were downloaded was his. He also acknowledged several other accounts in question belonged to him. A preliminary analysis of one of Pioquinto's electronic devices located a number of images and videos depicting the sexual abuse of children.

Pioquinto was arrested and charged with 10 counts of possession of child pornography.

https://www.mainstreetdailynews.com/crime/2-gainesville-men-charged-child-porn

Lambertville City tax assessor arrested for possessing child pornography

Jay Edwards April 13, 2023

LAMBERTVILLE CITY, NJ (Hunterdon County) – A tax assessor in Lambertville City has been arrested for allegedly possessing child pornography, according to Hunterdon County Prosecutor Renée M. Robeson.

A cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (MCMEC) led to an investigation by the Hunterdon County Prosecutor's Office's Forensic Services Unit that resulted in the arrest of **Richard Carmosino**, 70, of Lambertville City, Robeson said.

Carmosino was arrested and charged on April 6 with one count of third-degree possession of child pornography. He is currently lodged in the Warren County Jail pending his first court appearence, Robeson said.

Carmosino is currently employed as the tax assessor in Lambertville City and the incident was not connected to his employment, Robeson said. https://wrnjradio.com/lambertville-city-tax-assessor-arrested-for-possessing-child-pornography/

Child Pornography Search Warrants Lead to Arrests in Nevada County

by Leslie Williams, Nevada County Sheriff's Office (NCSO)June 21, 2023

Nevada City, CA – Three Nevada City residents were arrested on Tuesday June 20, 2023, following the execution of several search warrants stemming from a joint child pornography investigation by Nevada County Sheriff's Office, the Nevada County District Attorney's Office, and the Sacramento Area Internet Crimes against Children (ICAC) Task Force Program.

Beginning at approximately 7:00 am and lasting until approximately 4:00 pm on 6/20/2023, search warrants were executed at the following locations in Nevada County, resulting in a total of three felony arrests for possession and/or distribution of child pornography.

400 block of Brock Rd, in Nevada City, where 78-year-old **Richard Hamner** was arrested for violations of Penal Code 311.11 and 311.2. Hamner was cited and released at the hospital for an unrelated medical condition

13000 block of Snow Mountain Camp Rd in Nevada City, where 30-year-old Stewart Farr was arrested for violations of Penal Code 311.11 and 311.2, and 40-year-old Jessica Lee was arrested for violation of Penal Code 311.2. Additionally, both Farr and Lee were charged with 182 PC/Conspiracy to Commit a Felony. They were booked into the Wayne Brown Correctional Facility where they remain in custody today.

California Penal Code section 311.11 is the offense of Possession of Child Sexual Abuse Material, and section 311.2 is the Distribution of Child Sexual Abuse Material, both felonies. Leading up to the June 20th operation, a total of eleven search warrants were authored and executed to identify targeted suspect locations for three separate Cyber Tip investigations, leading to the residences and arrested persons listed above.

https://yubanet.com/regional/child-pornography-search-warrants-lead-to-arrests-in-nevada-county/

'It's because of the porn:' Cambria Co. man viewed dozens of images of child porn, AG says

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CAMBRIA COUNTY, Pa. — Authorities with the Pennsylvania Office of the Attorney General say a Cambria County man is behind bars following a monthslong child porn investigation.

Officials say in February, agents received a CyberTip that multiple images of suspected child pornography had reportedly been viewed at a Johnstown area address.

Investigators say the IP address was linked to a residence along the 100 block of Boulder Drive, where 79-year-old **Richard Hirsch** reportedly resided.

Authorities say some of the images depicted girls, some as young as 4 to 6 years old, performing various sexual acts or in various sexually explicit poses.

Investigators say last week, a search warrant was executed at Hirsch's home and his devices were seized.

Authorities noted that when agents arrived at his home, Hirsch allegedly "ignored commands" and ran into one of the rooms to unplug his computer.

"I know why you're here, it's because of the porn," Hirsch allegedly told authorities. "I was on YouTube and I saw the porn," he added.

According to the affidavit, authorities say Hirsch explained that he began viewing child pornography approximately 10 years ago out of "curiosity."

Investigators say he claimed that he would visit YouTube and "just click links" that led him to the child porn.

Online court records show that Hirsch was arraigned over the weekend on two dozen counts of felony child pornography, as well as one count of criminal use of a communication device.

He was arraigned to the Cambria County Prison on \$100,000 bail and has since posted bond.

https://wjactv.com/news/local/cambria-county-man-charged-with-multiple-child-pornography-felonies

Enfield Man Charged With Possessing Child Pornography

About 60 videos depicting suspected child pornography were found on a cell phone belonging to an Enfield resident, according to police.

Tim Jensen, Patch Staff Posted Tue, Feb 21, 2023 at 4:18 pm ET

ENFIELD, CT — A child pornography complaint received by police late last year from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) resulted in a lengthy investigation which culminated with the arrest of an Enfield resident Monday.

Richard Klotzer, 41, was charged on a warrant with first-degree possession of child pornography. Bond was set at \$25,000, according to police records.

A heavily-redacted affidavit supporting Klotzer's arrest indicates a tip was received from the NCMEC CyberTipline Report, stating a complaint was received from a social media application company that a user had posted an image of suspected child pornography. A detective wrote, "the file contained an image of real persons that appeared to be between four and seven years old engaged in sexually explicit conduct."

Investigation into a computer IP address led police to execute a search-andseizure warrant at Klotzer's Church Street home. Upon being informed of the nature of the investigation, Klotzer "immediately stated that it was him and he had downloaded an image accidentally." He then said he had downloaded about five images, then changed his story to say he had actually downloaded about 30, according to the affidavit.

A cell phone which had been taken from Klotzer by police contained 60 videos and one image, depicting "real persons that appeared to be ... of various ages between one and thirteen years old, engaged in sexually explicit conduct," according to the affidavit.

https://patch.com/connecticut/enfield/enfield-man-charged-possessing-child-pornography

Gainesville Police arrest son of convicted sex offender for child pornography

By Ryan Wyatt Turbeville Published: Apr. 19, 2023 at 5:29 PM EDT

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (WCJB) - The apple doesn't fall far from the tree. The Gainesville Police Department arrested a man accused of paying for child pornography who is related to a convicted sex offender.

Richard Lipscomb Jr., 22, was arrested on Wednesday on 12 counts of possession of child pornography. The investigation began after officers received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. It indicated child porn had been uploaded and stored on a cloud storage device.

Detectives determined the activity originated from an apartment on Northwest 19th Lane in Gainesville. While executing a search warrant on the property, they seized Lipscomb's electronic devices. A number of images and videos depicting the sexual abuse of children were found on the devices.

He told detectives he owned the account. He said he paid a user on Twitter for a batch of content containing child porn. Lipscomb claims he doesn't have an "interest" in child sexual abuse material, but more of a "curiosity".

According to officials with the Gainesville Police Department, Richard Lipscomb Jr. is the son of Richard Lipscomb who was sentenced to life behind bars after he was convicted of sexually battering a child.

https://www.wcjb.com/2023/04/19/gainesville-police-arrest-son-convicted-sex-offender-child-pornography/

Mount Pleasant man arrested for possessing child sex abuse materials

By Anna Sharpe Dec 22, 2023

A Mount Pleasant man was arrested on charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors, S.C. Attorney General Alan Wilson's office announced.

Police arrested Richard Leland Morrison, 50, on Dec. 20.

Investigators said Morrison possessed files of child sex abuse material.

He is charged with seven counts of sexual exploitation of a minor in the third degree, a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years in prison on each count.

The case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Members of the Mount Pleasant Police Department's Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force arrested Morrison. Investigators received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children which led them to Morrison, the Attorney General's Office said in a statement.

In addition to the Attorney General's Office and Mount Pleasant police, the Charleston County Sheriff's Office, Homeland Security Investigations, Naval Criminal Investigative Services, U.S Marshal's Service and the state's ICAC Task Force assisted with the investigation.

https://postandcourier.com/news/man-arrested-child-sex-abuse/article_4774abb4-a0e9-11ee-ae62-d31043d10788.html

Feds: Schenectady man produced child pornography, sent threat

By Steven Cook | May 1, 2023

ALBANY – A Schenectady man has been arrested, accused of producing child pornography and sending a threat, U.S. Attorneys officials said Monday.

Richard Nejame, 27, of Schenectady, was charged Monday with sexual exploitation of a child and communicating a threat to injure, officials said.

Nejame is accused of messaging with several girls over a messaging application between October and Monday, officials said.

During one series of communications, Nejame threatened a 14-year-old girl in Florida that if she did not take pictures of herself and send them to Nejame, bad people would come and harm her, officials said.

In another set of videos, Nejame persuaded and coerced a 15-year-old girl in Virginia to take sexually suggestive still images and videos of herself and send the images and videos to Nejame, officials said.

If convicted of the child sexual exploitation count, Nejame would face at least 15 years in prison and as much as 30.

The FBI's Child Exploitation Task Force is investigating. Assistant U.S. Attorney Rick Bellis is prosecuting.

https://dailygazette.com/2023/05/01/feds-schenectady-man-produced-child-pornography-sent-threat/

2 Dorchester County men arrested on child porn charges

By Patrick Phillips

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COLUMBIA, S.C. (WCSC) - The South Carolina Attorney General's Office says two men from Dorchester County are facing a total of 15 charges in unrelated cases stemming from child pornographic material.

Anton Christopher Lelingis, 42, of Ladson, is charged with three counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor; and **Richard Keith O'Brien**, 46, of Harleyville, faces 12 counts of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, a release from the agency states.

Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force investigators with the Dorchester County Sheriff's Office made the arrests after they received CyberTipline reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Investigators say both Lelingis and O'Brien distributed filed of child sexual abuse material.

Lelingis was arrested on June 30 and O'Brien was arrested on Thursday, investigators say.

Each count of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor is a felony punishable by up to 10 years in prison if convicted.

https://www.live5news.com/2023/07/10/2-dorchester-county-men-arrested-child-porn-charges/

Lancaster Man Arrested on five Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

OCT 31, 2023

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of **Richard Brian Pardue**, 50, of Lancaster, S.C., on five charges connected to the sexual exploitation of a minor. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office made the arrest. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office and Homeland Security Investigations, both also members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with the investigation.

Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to Pardue. Investigators state Pardue distributed files of child sexual abuse material.

Pardue was arrested on October 25, 2023. He is charged with five counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

This case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/lancaster-man-arrested-on-five-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges/

^{*} Child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, is a more accurate reflection of the material involved in these heinous and abusive crimes. "Pornography" can imply the child was a consenting participant. Globally, the term child pornography is being replaced by CSAM for this reason.

Okaloosa County neighbors arrested on child porn charges

by WEAR staff Tue, May 16th 2023

OKALOOSA COUNTY, Fla. -- Two men were arrested last Thursday in Okaloosa County on child porn charges.

27-year-old Richard Gene Starr III is charged with:
Possession of Child Pornography (30 counts)
Transmission of Child Pornography (3 counts)
Use of a Two-Way Communication Device to Commit a Felony

72-year-old **Richard Stanley Resetar** is charged with:

Possession of Child Pornography (5 counts)
Transmission of Child Pornography (2 counts)
Use of a Two-Way Communication Device to Commit a Felony
Investigators with the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office Special Investigations
Section executed simultaneous search warrants at 130 and 136 Noblat Drive in
Mary Esther.

The investigation began in 2022 after linking a child porn cybertip to 136 Noblat Drive.

"While investigating that tip, ICAC investigators received another, unrelated NCMEC tip in reference to the download and transmission of child pornography at 130 Noblat Drive," the sheriff's office says in a release. "At this time, there is no indication the two suspects, Richard Starr III and Richard Resetar, knew each other or were associated in these crimes.

https://weartv.com/news/local/okaloosa-county-neighbors-arrested-on-child-porn-charges

Richard Sackschewsky accused of child sexual exploitation, digital files found at Colorado home in Erie

By Jack Lowenstein

Updated on: December 5, 2023 / 9:54 PM MST / CBS Colorado

An Erie, Colorado man is behind bars after investigators say they discovered multiple digital files depicting sexual exploitation of a child at his home.

Richard Sackschewsky, 34, of Erie was arrested through a joint-agency effort and charged on Tuesday for possessing and distributing child sexual abuse material.

According to a Boulder County Sheriff's Office press release, a search warrant was executed at Sackschewsky's home on Nov. 16 in the 1600 block of Meachum Way, where investigators seized multiple electronic devices. Later after recovering those devices, digital forensic analysis of them led to the discovery of multiple files that were found in violation of sexual exploitation of a child.

Investigators originally received a tip from Colorado Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force regarding information it had gained about the distribution of child sex material from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC).

Sackschewsky was booked into the Boulder County Jail on an arrest warrant with no bond. He faces charges for sexual exploitation of a child-distribution and two different levels of charges for sexual exploitation of a child-possession.

Boulder County Sheriff's Office, Boulder County District Attorney's Office, Boulder Police Department, Longmont Department of Public Safety, Boulder County S.W.A.T. Team and Erie Police Department were all involved in this investigation.

If you suspect a child is being sexually exploited online, you can <u>report it</u> <u>online</u> or by calling 1-800-THE-LOST

https://www.cbsnews.com/colorado/news/colorado-erie-richard-sackschewsky-child-sexual-exploitation-digital-files/

Man Arrested for Child Pornography

Pinellas Park Police Detectives Arrest 59 Year Old for Possession of Child Pornography and Tampering with Evidence

Case Number: PP23-55377 Date: December 20, 2023

Location of Arrest: 6100 block of 62ND Avenue N, Pinellas Park, FL, 33781

Arrested: Richard Sobkiewicz Jr. - 59 years of age of Pinellas Park

Charges:

1 Count - Tampering with Physical Evidence 10 Counts - Possession of Child Pornography

In October of 2023, the Pinellas Park Police Department received information that led to an investigation into the online activity of Richard Sobkiewicz Jr. During this investigation, detectives located over 1,600 media files of illegal content involving the abuse of children on the suspect's laptop.

On December 20, 2023, detectives arrested Richard Sobkiewicz Jr. and charged him with ten counts of Possession of Child Pornography and one count of Tampering with Physical Evidence.

https://www.pinellas-park.com/1958/Man-Arrested-for-Child-Pornography

Manager of Starr's Auto Repair Arrested on 30 Counts of Child Porn and Other Related Charges

Posted on May 17, 2023 by

On May 11th, investigators with the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office Special Investigations Section executed simultaneous search warrants at 130 and 136 Noblat Drive in Mary Esther.

The investigation began in 2022, after the OCSO Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Unit received a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding the download of child pornography at 136 Noblat Drive.

While investigating that tip, ICAC investigators received another, unrelated NCMEC tip in reference to the download and transmission of child pornography at 130 Noblat Drive.

At this time, there is no indication the two suspects, Richard Starr III and Richard Resetar knew each other or were associated in these crimes.

The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office expressed special thanks to personnel with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and the Department of Homeland Security for their assistance with these search warrants.

Investigators arrested 27-year-old **Richard "Richie" Gene Starr III**, manager of Starr's Auto Repair in Navarre, from 130 Noblat Drive for the following offenses:

- 30 counts of Possession of Child Pornography (\$450,000 bond)
- 3 counts of Transmission of Child Pornography (\$60,000 bond)
- Use of a Two-Way Communication Device to Commit a Felony (\$10,000 bond)
 Investigators also arrested 72-year-old Richard Stanley Resetar from 136 Noblat
 Drive for the following offense:
- 5 counts of Possession of Child Pornography
- 2 counts of Transmission of Child Pornography
- Use of a Two-Way Communication Device to Commit a Felony
 https://ssrnews.com/manager-of-starrs-auto-repair-arrested-on-30-counts-of-child-porn-and-other-related-charges/

Edgefield Man Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

MAR 16, 2023

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of **Richard Craig Stevens**, II, 22, of Edgefield, S.C., on 11 charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Edgefield County Sheriff's Office made the arrest. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office, Aiken County Sheriff's Office, Homeland Security Investigations, and U.S. Secret Service, all also members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with the investigation.

Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to Stevens. Investigators state Stevens possessed files of child sexual abuse material.

Stevens was arrested on March 13, 2023. He is charged with 11 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor third degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

This case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

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https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/edgefield-man-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges-1/

Wilmington man sentenced to prison in child sex crimes case

Story by WECT Staff • 1mo

WILMINGTON, N.C. (WECT) - A Wilmington man will spend a minimum of six years and one month in prison after accepting a plea in a child sex crimes case, according to the Carolina Beach Police Department.

According to the release, 41-year-old **Ricky T. Webb** was arrested in May of 2023 on charges related to an Internet Crimes Against Children case. At the time, he was charged with:

One count of First-Degree Sexual Exploitation of Minor

Three counts of Second-Degree Sexual Exploitation of Minor

Five counts of Third-Degree Sexual Exploitation of Minor

Webb plead guilty on Dec. 14.

"The accepted plea for all the charges was accepted in front of Superior Court Judge Frank Jones, who sentenced Mr. Webb to 73-148 months active prison sentence along with a 30-year sex offender registration upon his release from prison," the CBPD announcement states. "The victim in the case was also granted a permanent no contact order which does not expire.

"The work conducted by Detective C.A. Morton and the Carolina Beach Digital Forensics Lab, in coordination with the 6th Prosecutorial District Attorney's Office, allowed for a quick response and apprehension of Mr. Webb. The ability to expeditiously investigate, charge, and sentence these individuals provides closure for the victims as well as prevents future victims."

https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/other/wilmington-man-sentenced-to-prison-in-child-sex-crimes-case/ar-AA1 mpum C

Tampa middle school assistant teacher arrested on 100 child pornography charges

Police said they found the images in a locked safe in a bedroom of his home.

By Chris Tisch Times staff Published May 4

An assistant teacher at a Tampa middle school has been arrested on 100 counts of child pornography possession, the Tampa Police Department reported on Thursday.

Ricky Broadnax Sr., 55, was arrested Thursday and taken to the Orient Road Jail. He is an assistant teacher at Liberty Middle School, police said.

Police began investigating Broadnax after getting a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children "concerning images that were being uploaded and shared online," Tampa police said in a news release.

Investigators secured a search warrant for Broadnax's residence in the 18300 block of Highwoods Preserve, where they found "files of child pornography on data storage devices" in a locked safe in his bedroom, the news release states.

"Currently, there are no listed victims related to his employment," the news release states," however, this remains a very active investigation. Detectives will continue to work closely with the Hillsborough County School District as the investigation continues."

https://www.tampabay.com/news/crime/2023/05/04/tampa-middle-school-assistant-teacher-arrested-100-child-pornography-charges/

Fontana detectives arrest Colton man on child pornography charge

Aug 24, 2023 Updated Aug 25, 2023

Fontana detectives arrested a Colton man on a charge of possession of child pornography, and they also believe the suspect was sneaking up behind women at a store, police said.

Detectives from the Fontana Police Department's Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force discovered that 39-year-old **Ricky Calvillo Jr**. was allegedly downloading and distributing child sexual abuse material over the internet.

During the investigation, detectives received a video Calvillo recorded of himself stalking the aisles of a Walmart in the High Desert while allegedly masturbating and sneaking up behind women in the store. He recorded himself ejaculating on the unknowing women from behind, police said.

On Aug. 23, a search warrant was served at Calvillo's residence in the 1300 block of South Meadow Lane in Colton. Detectives seized multiple electronic devices, and evidence relating to the downloading and distributing of child pornography was located, police said.

Calvillo was taken into custody and booked at West Valley Detention Center.

Persons who have any information about this case or believe a similar incident happened to them are urged to contact ICAC at:

FONTANAPDICAC@FONTANA.ORG

 $https://www.fontanaheraldnews.com/news/fontana-detectives-arrest-colton-man-on-child-pornography-charge/article_2b435cfe-42b3-11ee-9737-97dd8a56c627.html\\$

Michigan State Police

February 7, 2023

A 59 year-old Alpena man is facing prison time for allegedly possessing child pornographic material.

Ricky Allen Clewley has been charged with four counts of aggravated possession of child sexually abusive material and using a computer to commit a crime following an investigation by the Michigan State Police (MSP) Computer Crimes Unit, Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force.

Police said they found more than 100 images of child sexually abusive material following the seizure of "numerous internet capable devices" from Clewley's residence.

The investigation was started after a tip was received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. No other details of the investigation have been disclosed. Troopers from the Alpena MSP post assisted in the investigation.

The MSP Computer Crimes Unit encourages parents to speak with their children about the safe use of the internet. In addition, parents can find resources to assist in keeping children safe online at www.missingkids.org and www.michiganicac.com.

Anyone with information regarding possible child sexual exploitation should report it to the Cyber Tip Line at www.missingkids.org/cybertipline.

https://www.truenorthradionetwork.com/alpena-man-59-arrested-for-aggravated-possession-of-child-porn/

New Ulm man arrested on child pornography charges

By Sean Morawczynski

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NEW ULM, Minn. (KEYC) - **Ricky Eugene Randall**, 72, was booked into Brown County Jail Tuesday after authorities executed a search warrant back in December 2022.

According to a criminal complaint, Randall had emailed himself several files including images of a minor performing sexual acts.

When asked by investigators about the files, Randall said he had "some pop up" when visiting other pornographic websites according to the complaint.

Investigators also discovered Randall has previous felony convictions in Nebraska between 1971 and 1984.

Those convictions were for "child stealing," escaping from custody and felon possessing a firearm.

Randall claimed he went across state lines at the time to buy alcohol and 'didn't realize the girls were underage.'

Randall is charged with five felony counts of possessing pornographic work involving a minor under the age of 14.

His bail hearing was this morning, at 11:15.

Court records have not reflected the outcome of that hearing. https://www.keyc.com/2023/06/07/new-ulm-man-arrested-child-pornography-charges/

Douglas County man accused of possessing 24,000 photos, videos of child porn

Ridley Mellema, 19, is suspected of sexual exploitation of a child

By TAMARA DUNN | tdunn@denverpost.com | The Denver Post PUBLISHED: May 3, 2023 at 1:48 p.m.

Detectives with the Douglas County Sheriff's Office said Tuesday they arrested a man accused of possessing thousands of items related to child pornography.

Ridley Mellema, 19, was taken into custody following an extensive investigation, the sheriff's office said in a news release. Detectives discovered at least 24,000 images and videos on Mellema's phone, officials said.

Mellema is being held in the Douglas County Detention Facility on \$20,000 bail on suspicion of sexual exploitation of a child and internet sexual exploitation of a child.

Sheriff Darren Weekly said Tuesday in the release he was "proud of my team for their diligence in investigating these types of crimes."

"This arrest sends a strong message that we will not tolerate those attempting to exploit children, whether over the internet or in person."

The investigation is ongoing.

https://www.denverpost.com/2023/05/03/ridley-mellema-douglas-county-child-pornography/

Employee at San Luis Obispo gymnastics studio arrested in child pornography investigation

By: Katherine Worsham

Posted at 6:11 PM, Oct 26, 2023 and last updated 5:35 PM, Oct 27, 2023

One of two men arrested this week on suspicion of possession and distribution of child pornography was an employee at a San Luis Obispo gymnastics studio.

The owner of Central Coast Gymnastics, Mimi Phene-McKellar, sent a statement to families following the arrest of **Rion Page** seeking to reassure parents about safety at the gym.

"We are dedicated to our mission, which is to provide a safe environment for all the children who come to CCG," Phene-McKellar said. "We have many safeguards in place to ensure the safety of every child that include specific trainings of each new hire that include background checks on all staff over the age of 18, a policy of NO employee is allowed to be alone with a child at anytime, two or more adults are required to be present, security cameras in both gyms, along with security alarms. There were absolutely no indications of this incident happening in, around, or through CCG. We are all in shock, but committed to the safety of our families, children, and our community."

Page, 31, of San Luis Obispo and Bryce McGhie, 29, of Atascadero were arrested on Wednesday after police served search warrants at three locations — one in Atascadero and two in San Luis Obispo.

Central Coast Gymnastics on Zaca Lane was one of the locations searched as part of the investigation but Phene-McKellar says "no evidence of any kind was found on our premises, or on CCG electronic devices."

Phene-McKellar says Page has been placed on administrative leave and the incident has been reported to USA Gymnastics under SafeSport policies. https://www.ksby.com/news/local-news/employee-at-san-luis-obispo-gymnastics-studio-arrested-in-child-pornography-investigation

Granite Shoals man charged with possession of child pornography

09/06/23 Dakota Morrissiey

A Granite Shoals man was arrested Aug, 25 on a charge of possession of child pornography. **Robby Lyn Neugent**, 55, is being held in the Burnet County Jail on a \$75,000 bond.

Granite Shoals Police Department Detective Allen Miley received a tip regarding Neugent's possible possession of illicit images from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. That information led to a prolonged online investigation and, ultimately, Neugent's arrest.

Miley was especially equipped for this investigation as an affiliate of the Southern Texas Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

"The Granite Shoals Police Department is thoroughly committed to protecting innocent children and will continue to investigate these heinous online crimes,"

Reads a Sept. 5 media release from GSPD about the arrest.

The charge of possession of child pornography is a thire-degree felony and carries possible fines of up to \$10,000 and a prison sentence of two to 10 years.

To report an incident or suspicious situation that may involve the extraterritorial sexual exploitation of children, file a report on the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children website or call 1-800-843-5678.

https://www.dailytrib.com/2023/09/06/granite-shoals-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography/

Police beat: LR man, 59, faces child porn charges

by The Arkansas Democrat-Gazette | January 15, 2023 at 2:26 a.m.

LR man, 59, faces child porn charges

Little Rock police on Friday arrested a man who is facing multiple child pornography charges with more possible, according to an arrest report.

Officers served a search warrant at a 2114 Vancouver Drive residence and arrested **Robert Bemis**, 59, of Little Rock.

The search, which stemmed at least in part from five tips to the Cyber Tip Line run by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, resulted in Bemis being charged with nine counts of distributing, producing, or viewing child pornography.

The report noted that the investigation is ongoing and Bemis may face further charges.

https://www.arkansasonline.com/news/2023/jan/15/lr-man-59-faces-child-porn-charges/

Montpelier residents charged with possession of child sex abuse materials

By Staff Report May 29, 2023

MONTPELIER — The Attorney General's Office announced Friday that **Robert Bivens**, 54, and Andrew Sollace, 41, both of Montpelier, were arraigned on multiple counts of possession of child sexual abuse material.

Bivens was arraigned on two felony counts and three misdemeanor counts of possession of child sexual abuse material.

Sollace was arraigned on four felony counts of possession of child sexual abuse material.

The charges brought against the two men were part of a criminal investigation, including the execution of search warrants into the shared residence of Bivens and Sollace, as well as online data accounts.

The Vermont Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force led the investigation. In this case, it included personnel from the Attorney General's Office, Montpelier Police Department, Randolph Police Department, Burlington Police Department, and Homeland Security Investigations.

According to a news release from the state Attorney General's office, the investigation was initiated when VT-ICAC received multiple CyberTipline Reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that files of suspected child sexual abuse material, commonly referred to as "child pornography," were uploaded on the Google platform, the release stated.

Based on an investigation of these tips, Bivens and Sollace were identified as the alleged suspects. During the execution of a search warrant, law enforcement officers located alleged child sexual abuse material on cell phones belonging to the men. Law enforcement will be conducting further examinations of devices collected from the shared residence, the release stated.

Bivens and Sollace both pleaded not guilty at their arraignments in the Vermont Superior Court, Washington Criminal Division. The court ordered conditions of release, which restrict Bivens' and Sollace's access to minors and devices capable of accessing the internet, the release states.

https://www.timesargus.com/montpelier-residents-charged-with-possession-of-child-sex-abuse-materials/article_e657cf0a-c828-51f4-84a3-f3edc1af5806.html

Former ABSS principal charged with exploitation of a minor, sheriff's office says

by: Emily Mikkelsen

Posted: Mar 10, 2023 / 10:26 AM EST

ELON, N.C. (WGHP) — A man accused of uploading child sex abuse materials has been charged.

According to the Alamance County Sheriff's Office, on Wednesday an investigation was opened after they received a cyber tip about "child sexual abuse material" that had been uploaded by someone in Elon.

On Thursday, they executed a search warrant at an address that they believed was connected to the upload of the files. After seizing and examining electronics, probable cause was found to charge **Robert Edward Drummond**.

He was arrested and taken to the Alamance County Detention Center. He was charged with felony second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and received a \$20,000 bond.

Drummond worked as the assistant principal of Walter Williams High School from August 2015 until September 2019 and was principal at Turrentine Middle School from September 2019 until he resigned from the position in November 2021, Alamance Burlington School System confirmed.

The sheriff's office is still investigating but they say that the CSAM uploaded by Drummond is not believed to have been taken by Drummond.

https://myfox 8.com/news/north-carolina/piedmont-triad/elon-man-accused-of-uploading-child-sex-abuse-material-alamance-county-sheriffs-office-says/

FWB Area Man Charged with 20 Counts Possession of Child Pornography

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On September 20th, members of the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office Special Investigations Section executed a residential search warrant at 966 Scenic Oak Lane near Fort Walton Beach.

The search warrant was obtained and executed, following the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) unit receiving a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. As a result of the investigation and search warrant, 62-year-old **Robert Leroy ENGELKENS** was arrested for twenty (20) counts of Possession of Child Pornography.

Additional investigative efforts have since revealed hundreds of images of child pornography stored on electronic devices that were seized from ENGELKENS.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children CyberTip line is the nation's centralized reporting system for the online exploitation of children. The public is encouraged to make reports of suspected online enticement of children for sexual acts, child sexual molestation, child sexual abuse material, child sex tourism, child sex trafficking, unsolicited obscene materials sent to a child, misleading domain names, and misleading words or digital images on the internet, through the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office and/or the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children

(https://www.missingkids.org/gethelpnow/cybertipline).

https://www.sheriff-okaloosa.org/fwb-area-man-charged-with-20-counts-possession-of-child-pornography/#:~:text=As%20a%20result%20of%20the,that%20were%20seized%20from%20ENGELKENS.

Rensselaer police investigating death of a child

by: Jackson Tollerton

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RENNSSELAER, N.Y. (NEWS10) — A man in Rensselaer has been arrested as a result of an investigation into the death of a child, according to police. The man, **Robert Fisher II**, faces multiple charges.

On July 7 at 7:20 a.m., Rensselaer police alongside the Rensselaer Fire Department and Mohawk Ambulance responded to 1552 Broadway for a report of an unresponsive 3-year-old girl. Upon arrival, EMS performed life saving measures before transporting the child to Albany Medical Center.

Following further efforts, the child was pronounced deceased at the hospital. The victim's name will not be released at this time.

While officers were at 1552 Broadway, Fisher allegedly attempted to gain access to the crime scene and obstruct police operations. Fisher was then taken into custody.

State police investigators interviewed Fisher, and after further investigation, he was charged with additional crimes. He now faces the following charges:

Charges

First-degree aggravated sexual abuse
Third-degree assault
Endangering the welfare of a child
Second-degree obstructing governmental administration
Resisting arrest
Fourth-degree criminal mischief

Fisher was arraigned in Rensselaer City Court and remanded to Rensselaer County Correctional Facility with no bail. The parents of the child have been cooperating with police as the death remains under investigation.

https://www.news10.com/news/crime/rensselaer-police-investigating-death-of-a-child/

A Parkersburg man arrested for over 70 counts of explicit minor material

By Sarah Coleman

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PARKERSBURG, W.Va. (WTAP) - Parkersburg man was arrested on a warrant for over 70 counts Tuesday.

According to Parkersburg Police Department, **Robert Hickman** from Parkersburg was arrested on a warrant for 72 counts of distribution and exhibition of material depicting minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

A tip submitted to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children lead to an investigation into Hickman.

Investigators with the Internet Crimes Against Children collected hundreds of images and videos for evidence when they executed the search warrant, according to law enforcement.

Hickman was arraigned in the Wood County Magistrate Court where his bond was set at \$250,000.

He was unable to post bond and is currently being housed in North Central Regional Jail.

https://www.wtap.com/2023/06/02/parkersburg-man-arrested-over-70-counts-explicit-minor-material/

Wedron man faces 60 years in prison, accused of sharing 2 child porn videos

Kowalski ordered held on \$200K bond By Tom Collins and Derek Barichello

June 10, 2023 at 5:20 am CDT

A Wedron man could face up to 60 years in prison if convicted of transmitting two sexually explicit videos depicting underage girls.

Robert S. Kowalski, 32, was presented Friday in La Salle County Circuit Court with two charges of dissemination of child pornography and possession of child pornography, a Class X felony carrying six to 30 years in pri ... [Log in or subscribe to continue reading]

https://www.shawlocal.com/mywebtimes/2023/06/09/wedron-man-arrested-on-child-porn-charges/

OSBI arrests El Reno man on child pornography charges

by: Kaylee Douglas/KFOR

Posted: Jan 26, 2022 / 04:17 PM CST

EL RENO, Okla. (<u>KFOR</u>) – The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force recently arrested an El Reno man for having child pornography.

Robert David Littler, 49, is in the Canadian County Jail and is facing two felony charges:

COUNT 1: Suspicion of Possession of Child Pornography COUNT 2: Violation of the Oklahoma Computer Crimes Act

The investigation originated in December 2021 when a social media platform reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) that a user was suspected of molesting a child.

NCMEC forwarded the information to the OSBI ICAC unit after the user's phone number was tracked to Oklahoma.

The OSBI opened a case and began investigating.

Littler was arrested on January 13, 2022 and he remains in the Canadian County Jail.

If you suspect a child is being sexually exploited, contact the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children at 1-800-THE-LOST or www.cybertipline.com. https://kfor.com/news/local/osbi-arrests-el-reno-man-on-child-pornography-charges/

Dubuque Sex Offender Sentenced to Twenty-Five Years in Federal Prison

Tuesday, February 14, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of Iowa

While on Sex Offender Registry Used Aliases on Social Media to Receive Child Sexual Abuse Material

A man who posed as multiple teenagers to engage in sexually explicit communication with minors online and receive child sexual abuse material, was sentenced on February 13, 2023, to 25 years in federal prison.

Robert "Bobby" Lippstock, age 33, from Dubuque, Iowa received the prison term after a September 27, 2022 guilty plea to receipt and possession of child pornography.

At the guilty plea, Lippstock admitted he received and possessed depictions of child pornography from 2019 to 2020. At a prior hearing, evidence established that Lippstock was previously convicted of attempting to meet with a minor at a local park. In this case, Lippstock again fooled minors into thinking he was their friend in order to facilitate sexually explicit communication with them. After gaining their trust, he successfully received and re-distributed child sexual abuse material online through at least eight separate social media aliases. In addition, Lippstock possessed child sexual abuse material on multiple electronic devices in his residence. At sentencing, the Judge stated Lippstock poses a real and present danger to the community, particularly to children.

Lippstock was sentenced in Cedar Rapids by United States District Court Judge C.J. Williams. Lippstock was sentenced to 300 months' imprisonment. He must also serve a ten-year term of supervised release after the prison term. There is no parole in the federal system.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who sexually exploit children, and

to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.usdoj.gov/psc. For more information about internet safety education, please visit www.usdoj.gov/psc and click on the tab "resources."

Lippstock is being held in the United States Marshal's custody until he can be transported to a federal prison.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Liz Dupuich and Jason Norwood and investigated by the Dubuque County Sherriff's Department.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-ndia/pr/dubuque-sex-offender-sentenced-twenty-five-years-federal-prison

Wilkes-Barre man, 71, arrested for downloading child sexual abuse materials

July 21, 2023 By Ed Lewis

WILKES-BARRE — Days after law enforcement authorities announced statistics in Operation Safe Screen targeting individuals sexually preying upon minors, a Wilkes-Barre man was arrested on allegations he downloaded images of child sexual abuse materials.

Robert Moore, 71, of Park Avenue, admitted he had been searching for child pornography using key search words for years, according to court records.

A forensic analysis of Moore's computer uncovered digital files of nude children or children engaged in sexual acts with the youngest child estimated to be 2 to 3 years old, court records say.

Moore was arrested by agents with the Pennsylvania General's Office's Child Predator Section, members of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

When agents served a search warrant at his apartment, Moore admitted "all kinds of pornography" would be found on his computer including "hundreds of images of child pornography," court records say.

Moore allegedly claimed he last viewed child sexual abuse materials on Wednesday, a day before agents greeted him at his apartment door with the search warrant.

Moore was arraigned by District Judge Thomas Malloy in Wilkes-Barre on 25 counts of child pornography and a single count of criminal use of communication facility. He was jailed at the Luzerne County Correctional Facility for lack of \$25,000 bail.

State agents were led to Moore after investigating CyberTips from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children.

On Tuesday, State Police Area III Commander Michael Carroll announced "Operation Safe Screen," a multi-agency law enforcement initiative targeting child predators, had resulted in the arrest of 26 people from April to June,

including the shut down of 15 websites for displaying child sexual abuse materials.

https://www.timesleader.com/news/1614874/wilkes-barre-man-71-arrested-for-downloading-child-sexual-abuse-materials#:~:text=Moore%20was%20arraigned%20by%20District,for%20lack%20of%20%2425%2C000%20bail

Southern Illinois man faces nearly a dozen child pornography and criminal sexual assault charges in Jefferson County

By: Mike Mohundro

Oct 30, 2023 Updated Oct 30, 2023

MOUNT VERNON, III. -- A 57-year-old man faces a total of eleven child pornography and criminal sexual assault charges after a three-month investigation.

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office (JCSO) said they arrested 57-year-old Robert D. Paul, of Ashley, Ill., after an arrest warrant for child pornography.

Paul went to the sheriff's office to talk to them about why deputies were at his house earlier. He was then arrested at the sheriff's office.

This investigation was first initiated on July 4, 2023, when JCSO members of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about suspected child pornography.

Search warrants for electronic records and for Paul's property were obtained. A search of the suspect's home resulted in multiple pieces of evidence collected.

According to online court records, on October 27, the complaint was filed with a video court date set for October 30.

Paul faces nine child pornography charges, along with two charges of criminal sexual assault, court records state.

 $https://www.wsiltv.com/news/illinois/southern-illinois-man-faces-nearly-a-dozen-child-pornography-and-criminal-sexual-assault-charges-in/article_17c921b6-773a-11ee-b8c5-effb8f40db0e.html$

Lowcountry men arrested on child porn charges

By Marissa Lute

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MOUNT PLEASANT, S.C. (WCSC) - The South Carolina Attorney General's Office says two men from the Lowcountry are facing a total of five charges in unrelated cases stemming from child pornographic material.

Robert Arthur Petit Sr., 78, of Mount Pleasant, is charged with four counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor; and Frank Michael Jones Jr., 33, of Bonneau, is charged with one count of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force investigators with the Mount Pleasant and Goose Creek Police Departments made the arrests after they received CyberTipline reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Petit was arrested on Thursday and Jones was arrested on Saturday, investigators say.

Each count of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor is a felony punishable by up to 10 years in prison if convicted.

A booking photo of Jones was not immediately available. https://www.live5news.com/2023/08/28/lowcountry-men-arrested-child-porn-charges/

Paris men arrested for alleged child pornography possession

Staff Report Aug 28, 2023

PARIS – Attorney General Kwame Raoul on Friday charged two Paris, Illinois men with the alleged possession of child pornography.

Raoul's office charged **Robert E. Porter**, 47, with six counts of possession of child pornography, Class 2 felonies, punishable by up to 28 years in prison. His bond was set at \$500,000. Raoul's office also charged Toby T. Porter, 38, with three counts of possession of child pornography, Class 2 felonies, punishable by up to 28 years in prison. His bond was set at \$300,000. Their next court date is Sept. 11.

"Possessing child pornography is a heinous crime that can leave life-long scars on children and their families. Those responsible for downloading or sharing this disturbing content must be held accountable," Raoul said. "My office's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force is committed to continued collaborations with the Edgar County Sheriff's Department and the Edgar County state's attorney to keep our communities safe."

Raoul's investigators, with the assistance of the Edgar County Sheriff's Department, conducted a search of the brother's residence in the 5200 block of North 625th Street in Paris on Thursday, Aug. 24. The Porters were then arrested and taken into custody at the Edgar County Jail, where they currently remain.

Attorney General Raoul's office will co-prosecute the case with Edgar County State's Attorney Timothy Gilbert.

"The Edgar County State's Attorney's Office is pleased to work in conjunction with the Attorney General's Office in the pursuit of justice in these matters," Gilbert said.

The public is reminded the defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

The case is part of Raoul's ongoing work, in collaboration with federal law enforcement agencies and local law enforcement officials throughout Illinois, to apprehend offenders who download and trade pornography online.

Raoul's office, with a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, runs the Illinois Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force that investigates child exploitation crimes and trains law enforcement agencies. The task force receives CyberTips, or online reports of child pornography, from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Over the last several years, CyberTipline reports have steadily increased. In 2022, reports to the ICAC increased by 26% over 2021.

Illinois' ICAC Task Force is one of 61 ICAC task forces throughout the country and is comprised of a network of more than 175 local, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies. Since 2019, the Attorney General's ICAC Task Force has received more than 32,500 CyberTips and has been involved in more than 485 arrests of sexual predators. Since 2006, the Attorney General's ICAC Task Force has been involved in more than 1,960 arrests of sexual predators. The task force also has provided internet safety training and education to more than 1 million parents, teachers and students, in addition to more than 23,850 law enforcement professionals.

Attorney General Raoul also reminded the public that online child sexual exploitation can be reported at www.cybertipline.com, and child abuse can be reported at dcfsonlinereporting.dcfs.illinois.gov. In addition, local child advocacy centers can be found at www.childrensadvocacycentersofillinois.org.

Assistant Attorney General Katherine C. Hegarty is prosecuting the case for Raoul's High Tech Crimes Bureau.

https://www.commercial-news.com/news/local_news/paris-men-arrested-for-alleged-child-pornography-possession/article_821d96d0-45cd-11ee-9318-c37aa76f0216.html

Man facing multiple counts of possession of child pornography

Jonathan Richie Mar 9, 2023

Aman is facing numerous counts of possession of child pornography in Sauk County after law enforcement received tips from a national exploited children organization.

Robert A. Scace, 50, Poynette, allegedly told police he downloaded the images to see if they had been edited, according to court documents. Scace is facing five counts of possession of child pornography. If convicted, Scace faces up to 15 years in prison followed by up to 10 years of extended supervision for each count.

Online records show Scace remains in custody at the Sauk County Jail. His cash bond was set at \$2,500 at his initial appearance is on March 8.

According to the criminal complaint:

The Baraboo Police Department received the case from the Wisconsin Department of Justice on Feb. 14. A pair of cyber tips of apparent child pornography from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children were received in December. The two images showed nude prepubescent children, and one included an adult male in the photo.

Baraboo police learned the image was downloaded by an IP address on Moore Street in Baraboo. Authorities obtained a search warrant of the home on Feb. 27 and surveilled the home where Scace lived with Paul Anderson.

The search warrant was served on March 3 by Baraboo Police and a multijurisdictional Sauk County task force including the Sauk County Emergency Response Team and the State Division of Criminal Investigation. Scace and Anderson were detained without incident.

Scace agreed to talk to police, who initially believed Anderson was downloading the images. Scace said Anderson was his roommate and was not savvy with technology and allegedly admitting it was he who downloaded the photos.

The complaint details all 15 of the images the DCI recovered from Scace's computer. Most of the images described in the complaint show pre-pubescent

and early pubescent children, some allegedly performing sex acts with adult men.

Anderson was charged with possession of a firearm by a felon following the search warrant of the Moore Street residence. Court records show he was convicted in 2016 of felony stalking in Sauk County.

Scace is set to be back in Sauk County Courthouse for a pre-trial conference in April and a preliminary hearing scheduled for May.

 $https://wiscnews.com/community/baraboonewsrepublic/news/man-facing-multiple-counts-of-possession-of-child-pornography/article_602b5669-f8a1-5ea9-b42b-b62aae4b5d62.html\\$

One man, 29 alleged offenses involving a minor

By Lou Wilin April 20,2023

A Findlay man was indicted this week by a Hancock County grand jury with 29 counts of pandering sexually-oriented material involving a minor.

All of the charges lodged against **Robert G. Smith**, 74, of 236 Esther Lane, are second-degree felonies. The offenses allegedly occurred in Findlay in 2023, 2022 and 2020.

In other indictments:

Isaiah J. Moore, 20, of 1125 Broad Ave., was charged with two counts of felonious assault, both second-degree felonies.

Moore is alleged to have shot two people with a handgun in the 200 block of East Front Street on April 8.

Marcus A. Cataline, 20, of Mount Blanchard, was charged with robbery, a second-degree felony.

Findlay police last week reported that Cataline and a juvenile assaulted a 17-year-old, who was in a car at Circle K, 100 Crystal Ave., and took his wallet last week.

Anthony N. Hutchison, 40, of 1410 Westshore Drive, was charged with failure to appear in court, a fourth-degree felony.

Brett A. Johnson, 57, of 509 Center St., was charged with failure to appear in court, a fourth-degree felony.

Deven L. Treft, 44, of 211½ Garfield Ave., was charged with failure to appear in court, a fourth-degree felony.

Jay C. Yost, 32, of Fostoria, was charged with a fourth-degree felony count of assault. Yost is alleged to have knowingly caused physical harm to a Fostoria police officer in February.

Bryce D. Lange, 19, of Tiffin, was charged with carrying concealed weapons, a fourth-degree felony.

Robert J. Cheney, 42, of 237 Woodley Ave., was charged with two fifth-degree felony counts of aggravated possession of drugs.

Jessica L. Spoon, 35, of 57 Grace St., was charged with three fifth-degree felony counts of aggravated possession of drugs.

Janelle M. Cantu, 38, of 605 W. Hardin St., was charged with a fifth-degree felony count of possession of a fentanyl-related compound.

Deenna M. Snyder, 44, of 820 Hurd Ave., was charged with a fifth-degree felony count of aggravated possession of drugs.

Julian G. Gonzales, 19, of 323 Front St., was charged with two fifth-degree felony counts of domestic violence.

Cynthia M. Hernandez, 44, of 530 W. Lima St., was charged with a fifth-degree felony count of possession of cocaine.

Anthony D. Woods, 44, of 429½ Walnut St., was charged with a fifth-degree felony count of improperly handling firearms in a motor vehicle.

Bradley C. Brand, 44, of Carey, was charged with two fifth-degree felony counts of aggravated possession of drugs; and a fifth-degree felony count of possession of a fentanyl-related compound.

https://thecourier.com/news/455285/one-man-29-alleged-offenses-involving-a-minor/

Former Sidney man sentenced to 7 months for child porn

October 30, 2014

Robert L. Stagge, who now lives in Maryland, pleaded guilty to possessing sexually explicit materials depicting children under age 12.

AUGUSTA — A former Sidney man will spend the next seven months in jail for possessing hundreds of images of child pornography.

Robert L. Stagge, 58, now of Sparks, Maryland, was sentenced Thursday in Kennebec County Superior Court to three years in jail, with all but seven months suspended and two years of probation.

He had pleaded guilty on Oct. 6 in the same court to two counts of possession of sexually explicit materials depicting children under age 12. Stagge requested a delay of his sentence at the time so he could wind up business in Maryland. Justice Michaela Murphy refused and set the sentencing hearing for Thursday.

On Oct. 6, Assistant District Attorney Frayla Schoenfeld said Maine State Police executed a search warrant at Stagge's home on May 7, 2013, and found 830 images of children, mostly girls, ages 5-12 engaged in sexual activity.

At that time, according to court filings by Assistant Attorney General Kate M. Lawrence, "Stagge admitted to downloading child pornography and said that he 'had a problem with it since he was 14 years old.' "

Schoenfeld said the pornography was contained on thumb drives and hard drives.

Stagge's attorney, Darrick Banda, said none of the child pornography was found on Stagge's work computers. Stagge had worked for the state of Maine for more than 25 years until July 19, 2013. When he left, he was an information systems support specialist.

Stagge said nothing in court except to enter the pleas and to indicate they were made voluntarily.

Conditions of probation prohibit Stagge from contact with children under 16 and require him to undergo sex offender treatment and counseling. Stagge was

also ordered to register as a 10-year registrant under the state's Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act.

He is also prohibited from use or possession of devices with Internet access, except to work on computers supplied by an employer and subject to search.

In exchange for the two pleas of guilty, a third charge of possession of sexually explicit material and a charge of dissemination of sexually explicit material were dismissed.

Schoenfeld and Banda acknowledged to the judge that the dismissals also reflected the fact that the Internet Protocol address was obtained by a grand jury subpoena rather than other ways specified by courts.

Banda said Stagge had no prior criminal record.

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Fulton man charged for possessing images of child sexual abuse

by Nicolas Fuchs Wed, September 27th 2023

A Fulton man was charged with six counts of possession of child pornography.

According to court documents, on September 26, investigators with the Missouri State Highway Patrol Division of Drug and Crime Control interviewed **Robert Stuart**, 35, as part of an online investigation.

They said Stuart gave them permission to search his cell phone during the interview and told them there were pictures and videos of child sexual abuse in the Photos application on the phone.

Investigators said they found five videos and one picture of child sexual abuse hidden within the Photos application.

Stuart was booked into the Callaway County Jail and held without bond.

https://krcgtv.com/news/local/fulton-man-faces-six-counts-of-child-pornography-possession-after-phone-search-robert-stuart-missouri-state-highway-patrol-division-of-drug-and-crime-control-callaway-county

ATTORNEY GENERAL RAOUL CHARGES MONTGOMERY COUNTY MAN WITH POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

June 30, 2023

Chicago – Attorney General Kwame Raoul today announced the Attorney General's office has charged a Montgomery County man with allegedly possessing child pornography. The case is part of Raoul's ongoing work, in collaboration with federal law enforcement agencies and local law enforcement officials throughout Illinois, to apprehend offenders who download child pornography online.

Raoul's office charged **Robert J. Meyer**, Jr., 47, of Litchfield, Illinois, in Montgomery County Circuit Court with two counts of possession of child pornography, Class 2 felonies punishable by up to 14 years in prison. Meyer's bond was set at \$100,000 and he will next appear in court July 21.

"Child pornography is a horrific crime that can leave life-long scars on innocent children and their families," Raoul said. "As a result of work done by my office's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, this predator can be held accountable. I appreciate the collaboration of multiple local law enforcement agencies with my office's task force to keep our communities safe."

Raoul's investigators, with the assistance of the Illinois State Police South Central Illinois Drug Task Force (SCIDTF) and the Litchfield Police Department conducted a search of Meyer's residence in the 1000 block of Walnut Street in Litchfield and arrested him after discovering evidence of child pornography.

Attorney General Raoul's office will prosecute the case with the Montgomery County State's Attorney Andrew Affrunti.

"I am grateful to partner with Attorney General Raoul and his staff to ensure justice in this case. The dedication and expertise of the Attorney General's Office Investigators is of great benefit to the citizens of Montgomery County," Affrunti said. "Anyone who abuses or exploits children in Montgomery County will be held accountable under the law for their actions."

The case is part of Attorney General Raoul's work to investigate and prosecute child pornographers in Illinois. Raoul's office, with a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, runs the Illinois Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force that investigates child exploitation crimes and trains law enforcement agencies. The task force receives CyberTips, or online reports of child pornography, from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Over the last several years, CyberTipline reports have steadily increased. In 2022, reports to the ICAC increased by 26% over 2021.

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The public is reminded the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Assistant Attorney Generals Jenifer Peck and Katherine Hegarty are handling the case for Raoul's High Tech Crimes Bureau.

https://www.illinois attorney general.gov/news/story/attorney-general-raoul-charges-montgomery-county-man-with-possession-of-child-pornography

Flowery Branch teen charged with sharing child porn on Snapchat

Nick Watson The Times Published: Mar 29, 2023, 1:48 PM

A Flowery Branch teenager was charged with sharing a video of child pornography on Snapchat, according to authorities.

Rocco John Dodero, 17, faces 14 counts of sexual exploitation of children. He was booked Tuesday, March 28, in to the Hall County Jail, where he remains with no bond.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children tipped off Hall County investigators about a Snapchat video linked to a Hall County address.

Sheriff's Office spokeswoman B.J. Williams said Dodera shared the video on Snapchat that had images of children engaged in sexual activity, who were believed to between ages 4 and 13.

The Sheriff's Office and the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes unit searched Dodero's home Tuesday. Investigators seized Dodero's cellphone, and the GBI unit found additional child sexual abuse material on the phone.

Williams did not have information on the additional material found on Dodero's phone other than it was not related to Snapchat.

https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/badge-bar/flowery-branch-teen-charged-sharing-child-porn-snapchat/

Internet Crimes Against Children Tips Lead to Four Arrested On Suspicion of Child Pornography

Jessica Cejnar Andrews / Tuesday, March 14 @ 2:02 p.m. / Crime

Internet Crimes Against Children Tips Lead to Four Arrested On Suspicion of Child Pornography

Four people face child pornography charges in connection with three separate cases, including one that allegedly involves a local victim, Crescent City Police Chief Richard Griffin told the *Wild Rivers Outpost*.

These arrests are the products of search warrants CCPD served on March 8 and March 13 that began as tips the department received from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, or ICAC, Griffin said Tuesday.

The first search warrant, served on the 1000 block of U.S. 101 in Crescent City on March 8, resulted in the arrest of 22-year-old Ta-Teh Kennedy on suspicion of downloading child pornography.

According to Griffin, a search of Kennedy's devices uncovered videos Kennedy and his girlfriend, Elijah Price, 18, had allegedly produced involving a local 6-year-old child. By then, Price had fled the area, Griffin said.

After CCPD contacted Humboldt County law enforcement, Price turned herself in and was booked into the Humboldt County jail on March 12, according to Griffin.

Griffin said the alleged videos Kennedy and Price had been producing might have been made over the course of about a year, though CCPD is still working on a complete forensic download of the digital devices officers seized.

Griffin said he expected more charges to be filed against the suspects.

"We are in contact with the child's parent and they're fully cooperating. They had no idea this was going on," Griffin told the *Outpost*, adding that they're also investigating the possibility that the child's sibling may also be a victim.

Griffin said he expects the forensic downloads to be finished next week.

Kennedy faces charges of oral copulation with a minor, possessing obscene matter involving a child under 14 and for possessing obscene matter for commercial purposes.

CCPD served a second search warrant at a home on the 600 block of Washington Boulevard, also on March 8. Acting on a tip from ICAC that someone downloaded child pornography through social media, CCPD arrested 68-year-old Howard Coates.

"We did seize several devices and we also got a good interview with (Coates) where he did admit to downloading child pornography," Griffin said.

Coates faces a charge of possessing obscene matter involving a child under 14.

Griffin said officers also interviewed Coates' roommate, who, while not associated with the original investigation, also allegedly admitted to downloading child pornography. However, due to experiencing a medical episode while officers served the search warrant, the roommate was taken to Sutter Coast Hospital, Griffin said.

Griffin said he will be forwarding the results of that investigation to the Del Norte County District Attorney for review and for potentially filing charges against the roommate.

Griffin's officers served the third search warrant in connection with tips and information his department received from ICAC on Monday at the 1900 block of Northcrest Drive. There they contacted and arrested 28-year-old **Rod Mustard Jr**. and seized multiple digital devices, Griffin said.

According to the police chief, Mustard also allegedly admitted to downloading child pornography. He's charged with sexual exploitation of a minor and possessing obscene matter involving a child under 14.

Griffin said his department is working with the District Attorney's office and fells CCPD has solid cases for the DA to move forward with prosecution.

"These types of cases aren't the easiest to work because of what the officers have to see and the evidence we have to review," he said. "Everything was done the right way. We believe we have solid cases to forward to the District Attorney's office and we've been in constant contact with them also." https://wildrivers.lostcoastoutpost.com/2023/mar/14/international-crimes-against-children-tips-lead-fo/#:~:text=There%20they%20contacted%20and%20arrested,involving%20a%20child%20under%2014

Long Beach-based priest charged with possessing more than 600 images of child pornography

BySid Garcia Friday, September 15, 2023

LONG BEACH, Calif. (KABC) -- A Long Beach-based priest on Thursday was charged in Ventura County with possession of child pornography, prosecutors said.

Rodolfo Martinez-Guevara, 38, was arrested Wednesday in Long Beach, according to the Ventura County district attorney's office. He is accused of possessing "over 600 images of child sexual abuse material, including images and videos of prepubescent minors under the age of 12."

"As a priest, the defendant is in a position of tremendous power, authority and trust. The alleged crimes deeply violate that trust and involve a disturbing number of sexual images of young boys," District Attorney Erik Nasarenko said in a statement. "These are not simply images and videos. Rather, if found true, they constitute horrific exploitation of our most vulnerable, and the actions of the defendant must be met by the full force of the law."

Prosecutors said Martinez-Guevara was living at the Missionaries of the Holy Spirit in Long Beach, adjacent to St. Maria Goretti Church and St. Maria Goretti Catholic School. Through the Missionaries, he was said to have ties to a number of churches, including Our Lady of Guadalupe in Oxnard.

In a statement, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles said Martinez-Guevara is not a priest with the archdiocese but is affiliated with the Missionaries of the Holy Spirit Religious Order.

"He was at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church in Oxnard from July 1, 2021, to September 30, 2022, as a transitional deacon and newly ordained priest," according to the archdiocese. "Since then, he has been in residence with the Missionaries of the Holy Spirit in Long Beach with faculties to minister in the archdiocese. He has been removed from ministry by the archdiocese and his order.

"The archdiocese stands against any sexual misconduct and is resolute in our support for victim-survivors of any misconduct. We reaffirm our unwavering commitment to ensuring that parishes, schools and ministries are safe places for everyone in our community."

According to prosecutors, an investigation into Martinez-Guevara began after "several reports" were made to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Investigators determined that he was believed to be in possession of large numbers of photos and videos of child sexual abuse material, most involving boys, the district attorney's office said.

He was arrested by members of the Ventura County Child Exploitation & Human Trafficking Task Force, which includes the Ventura and San Bernardino County sheriff's departments, Ventura County district attorney's office, Ventura and Oxnard police departments, the FBI and U.S. Attorney's Office.

Martinez-Guevara's bail was set at \$750,000. He is scheduled to be arraigned Friday in Ventura County Superior Court.

https://abc7.com/priest-long-beach-child-pornography-arrested/13787152/

UI student charged with sharing child pornography

Mary Schenk, The News-Gazette, Champaign-Urbana, III. October 4, 2023

Oct. 4—URBANA — A University of Illinois student who allegedly disseminated child pornography through a student computer account is being held in the Champaign County Jail.

Judge Brett Olmstead will decide Thursday if **Rogelio Renteria**, 21, should continue to be held, as requested by the state, before he's tried on two counts of child pornography filed against him Wednesday.

Laying out a brief set of facts for the judge Wednesday, Assistant State's Attorney Chris McCallum said UI police received a tip in March from the Center for Missing and Exploited Children about six pornographic videos depicting children in sex acts that were being shared through an IP address linked to a student.

UI police detectives trained in combing the internet for such illegal activity learned Renteria, who listed an address in the 500 block of South First Street, allegedly sent pornographic videos late Feb. 19 using a Snapchat account. He was arrested Tuesday by UI police.

If convicted of the more serious of the two charges, Renteria faces a mandatory prison term of between six and 30 years and up to lifetime supervision by parole authorities.

https://news.yahoo.com/ui-student-charged-sharing-child-035900674.html

Somers Point man charged with distribution of child pornography

Lynda Cohen|November 9, 2023

Somers Point's former deputy director of emergency management is now in jail on child pornography charges.

Roger Tees, 73, a Somers Point resident, is charged with possession and distribution of videos and images of child sexual abuse.

Tees previously served as Galloway Township manager, but was ousted in 2011. Before that, he headed Pleasantville's Urban Enterprise Zone.

The Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force received a referral of inappropriate content distributed on various email and social messaging platforms, which led to an investigation by the Atlantic County Prosecutor's Internet Crimes Against Children Unit.

Tees was identified and it was determined that he distributed videos and images of child sexual exploitation, according to the Prosecutor's Office.

Tees resigned last week, Somers Point Police Chief Robert Somers confirmed to BreakingAC.

"At no time was Tees near or dealing with children during his duties," Somers stressed. "He was an administrative coordinator."

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security Investigations and Somers Point police assisted in the case.

Tees is in the Atlantic County Justice Facility pending a detention hearing. https://breakingac.com/2023/11/somers-point-man-charged-with-distribution-of-child-pornography/

Longtime school custodian facing child porn charge

by: Sarah Doiron

Posted: Feb 16, 2023 / 07:59 PM EST

HOPKINTON, R.I. (WPRI) — Detectives arrested a longtime school janitor Thursday for reportedly downloading child pornography, according to R.I. State Police.

Ronald Plante, 58, of Coventry, has been charged with one count of possessing child pornography.

Police said Plante has worked as a custodian at Hope Valley Elementary School for 15 years and at the North Kingstown Free Library for the last 10 years.

Detectives searched Plante's home last Tuesday after learning he had downloaded child pornography.

Police said Plante turned himself in Thursday. Plante was arraigned and released on \$20,000 personal recognizance and ordered to not have any unsupervised contact with children.

It doesn't appear that Plante was inappropriately involved with any students or library patrons at this time.

https://www.wpri.com/news/local-news/south-county/longtime-school-custodian-facing-child-pornography-charge/

New York Daycare Worker Allegedly Had Child Porn In Hudson Valley, SP

Bobby Welber Published: June 19, 2023

State Police allege that a Hudson Valley man who worked with young children was found with child porn.

New York State Police announced a daycare educator was arrested in Dutchess County.

On Wednesday, June 14, 2023, the Bureau of Criminal Investigation at State Police Rhinebeck, with the assistance of the Troop K Computer Crimes Unit and Forensic Identification Unit, charged 20-year-old **Ross E. Schultz** of Staatsburg, New York, for possessing an obscene sexual performance by a child – a class E felony.

New York State Police investigators began an Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) investigation after they received a cyber tip from an online social media platform that the suspect on November 3, 2022.

"The mission of the ICAC Task Force is to identify individuals online who are attempting to lure children to meet for sex or those disseminating child sexual abuse material. The Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program (ICAC program) helps state and local law enforcement agencies develop an effective response to technology-facilitated child sexual exploitation and Internet crimes against children," New York State Police stated.

Police executed a search warrant at Schultz's Dutchess County home, where they seized numerous electronic and storage devices. Schultz was in possession of a media file containing child pornography,

according to New York State Police. The substitute daycare work was arrested after he was found to be in possession of child pornography, police say.

Troopers didn't announce where Schultz worked.

He was released with an appearance ticket, returnable to the Town of Hyde Park Court on June 22.

https://hudsonvalleypost.com/new-york-daycare-worker-had-child-porn-in-hudson-valley-dutchess-county/

EKY man charged in child pornography case

By Brandon Robinson Published: Jun. 16, 2023 at 8:16 AM EDT

LAWRENCE COUNTY, Ky. (WYMT) - One Big Sandy man is facing serious charges following a raid at his home earlier this week.

Troopers with the Kentucky State Police Electronic Crime Branch served a search warrant on Thursday in Lawrence County.

The search happened as part of an undercover Internet Crimes Against Children investigation into **Russell Pack**, 33, of Louisa.

During the investigation, officials found Pack had uploaded sexually explicit images of children online.

Police took the equipment they believe was used in the case to the state forensic lab for investigation.

Pack is currently charged with 20 counts of possessing matter portraying a minor under the age of 12 in a sexual performance.

He was taken to the Big Sandy Detention Center in Paintsville. https://www.wymt.com/2023/06/16/eky-man-charged-child-pornography-case/

Grand Jury Returns Indictments

Wednesday, May 17, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Western District of Wisconsin

MADISON, WIS. - A federal grand jury in the Western District of Wisconsin, sitting in Madison, returned the following indictments today. You are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

Ryan A. Campbell, 46, Richmond, Missouri, is charged with one count of producing child pornography. The indictment alleges that on August 14, 2020, Campbell used a minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing a visual depiction of the conduct.

Campbell was charged with this offense in a sealed complaint filed in U.S. District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin on May 8, 2023. The complaint alleged that he was staying at a residence in Amery, Wisconsin at the time the offense occurred.

Campbell was arrested on May 10 in Kansas City, Missouri. He appeared in federal court in Missouri and was ordered held in federal custody. A date for his initial appearance in Wisconsin has not been set.

If convicted, Campbell faces a mandatory minimum of 15 years and a maximum of 30 years in federal prison. The charge against him is the result of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Wisconsin and Missouri, the Wisconsin Department of Justice Division of Criminal Investigation, Eau Claire County Sheriff's Office, Kansas City Police Department and Jackson County (Missouri) Sheriff's Department.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth Altman is handling the prosecution. The U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of Missouri handled Campbell's appearance in federal court there.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-wdwi/pr/grand-jury-returns-indictments

Naples man arrested for child pornography and bestiality

By: Rebecca Weis

Posted at 9:06 AM, Jun 27, 2023 and last updated 9:06 AM, Jun 27, 2023

COLLIER COUNTY, Fla. — A Naples man is charged with multiple felony sex crimes as a result of a Collier County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) investigation.

CCSO says **Ryan Collins** is charged with 20 counts of possession of child pornography, one count of video voyeurism of a child, and two counts of sexual activities involving animals.

According to CCSO detectives, the investigation began with a CyberTip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

On Monday CCSO executed a search warrant at Collins' residence and discovered evidence to support criminal charges.

CCSO says the child pornography depicted children ages 6 to 16 engaged in sexual activity. Detectives also discovered a video that was filmed by Collins depicting two children who were privately exposing their bodies; and two digital files that depicted acts of bestiality.

Collins was transported to the Collier County jail.

https://www.fox4now.com/collier-county/naples-man-arrested-for-child-pornography-and-bestiality#:~:text=%E2%80%94%20A%20Naples%20man%20is%20charged,of%20sexual%20activities%20involving%20animals

Police report for June 27

NEWSTEAD — **Ryan A. Dorr**, 41, of Akron was charged with seven counts of possessing a sexual performance by a child, state police said.

Dorr was charged after an investigation into a complaint filed in January 2020.

Dorr is to appear at a later date in Town Court.

ALBION — Raymond Johnson, 42, of Medina was charged with welfare fraud, state police said.

He was committed to jail because of an outstanding warrant for his arrest.

ALBION — Jewelianne J. Fidanza, 37, of Medina was charged with welfare fraud and filing a false instrument, state police said.

She is to appear at a later date in Town Court.

JAVA — Christian P. Tuttle, 20, of Belmont was charged with DWI by drugs after he was stopped at 3:22 p.m. Saturday, state police said.

He is to appear at a later date in Town Court.

https://www.thedailynewsonline.com/news/police/police-report-for-june-27/article_fc7fc271-4b0a-5aa5-a714-dba1fb6ad3cd.html

Clayton County Man Arrested for the Sexual Exploitation of Children

FEBRUARY 20, 2023

Lovejoy, GA (February 20, 2023) – On Wednesday, February 15, 2023, **Ryan Plsek**, age 35, of Clayton County, GA, was arrested and charged with nine counts of sexual exploitation of children (possession of child pornography) by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes (CEACC) Unit. The GBI CEACC Unit began an investigation into Plsek's online activity after receiving a CyberTipline Report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding the possible online possession of child sexual abuse material. This investigation led to the execution of a search warrant of Plsek's home and his subsequent arrest. The GBI CEACC unit was aided in the search warrant by the Clayton County Police Department, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), and the U.S. Secret Service. Plsek was taken to the Clayton County Jail upon his arrest.

This investigation is part of the ongoing effort by the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, housed within the GBI's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit, to identify those involved in the trade of child sexual abuse material. The ICAC Program, created by the U.S. Department of Justice, was developed in response to the increasing number of children and teenagers using the Internet, the proliferation of child sexual abuse material, and the heightened online activity by predators searching for unsupervised contact with underage victims.

Anyone with information about other cases of child exploitation is asked to contact the Georgia Bureau of Investigation Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit at 404-270-8870 or report via the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children CyberTipline at CyberTipline.org. Anonymous tips can also be submitted by calling 1-800-597-TIPS (8477), online at https://gbi.georgia.gov/submit-tips-online, or by downloading the See Something, Send Something mobile app.

https://gbi.georgia.gov/press-releases/2023-02-20/clayton-county-man-arrested-sexual-exploitation-children

Redlands man accused of possessing thousands of images of child pornography

by: Travis Schlepp

Posted: Oct 9, 2023 / 03:22 PM PDT

A 23-year-old man from Redlands has been arrested for allegedly possessing thousands of images of child pornography.

Rylan Meier was arrested last Friday at his home on the 100 block of South Center Street, after law enforcement investigators were tipped off that he had been communicating with an underage girl on social media.

The Redlands Police Department began investigating Meier in September after receiving a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, in which a person came forward to claim the Meier was contacting the minor for sex.

Investigators eventually obtained a warrant to to search his home, which led to the discovery of more than 5,000 images "depicting child sexual abuse" which were allegedly stored on his personal online accounts.

Meier was arrested and booked into jail, but has since been released after posting bail, according to jail records. A date has not yet been set for him to appear in court.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information related to the case or other instances of child sexual abuse should contact Redlands Police Investigator Dale Peters by email or by calling 909-798-7681.

https://ktla.com/news/local-news/redlands-man-accused-of-possessing-thousands-of-images-of-child-pornography/

Racine man convicted of child sex assault facing 15 charges of having child porn

Samuel Hawkins was previously convicted of felony first-degree child sex assault and possession of child pornography in September 2015. He was released in 2019.

By: Madison Goldbeck Posted at 5:06 PM, Jul 28, 2023

RACINE, Wis. — A 36-year-old Racine man recently out of prison for sexually assaulting a child is now facing 15 felony charges of possession of child pornography.

Samuel Hawkins was charged Friday after a Mount Pleasant Police Department investigator executed a search warrant at his home Wednesday following a tip made over the internet concerning child pornography.

According to a criminal complaint, during an interview with an investigator, Hawkins "appeared extremely nervous and panicked, and his breathing was erratic." The complaint says he stated, "I'm going to [explicit] lose everything now."

Hawkins said he "downloaded a coming of age foreign film" and that is where he thought the tip came from. The complaint says he said there was no nudity or sexual content in the movie, but stated, "Don't get me wrong, there is going to be stuff." The interview ended when he requested an attorney.

The search warrant revealed multiple images and videos of child pornography from Hawkins' cell phone. Investigators also found two firearms in the home. Due to his prior felony conviction, he is prohibited from possessing any firearms.

Hawkins was previously convicted of felony first-degree child sex assault and possession of child pornography in September 2015. He was sentenced to eight years but was released in 2019, according to online court records. He was 26 at the time.

A \$75,000 cash bond was set for Hawkins on Friday. He will return to court for a preliminary hearing on Aug. 2.

https://www.tmj4.com/news/local-news/racine-man-convicted-of-child-sex-assault-facing-15-charges-of-having-child-porn

Carthage man accused of possessing child pornography

Nancy McCleary, The Sanford Herald, N.C. May 25, 2023

May 25—CARTHAGE — A Carthage man has been charged with multiple counts of possessing child pornography, according to the Moore County Sheriff's Office.

Santana Cruz Lara, 33, of the 100 block of Heron Road, was arrested Monday on a total of 18 felony charges — nine counts each of second- and third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

The Sheriff's Office received a report on May 4 of an individual having child sexual abuse material in his possession, a Sheriff's Office release said.

The offenses are alleged to have occurred Jan. 26-27, according to information on the Moore County Detention Center's website.

Lara is being held in the Moore County Detention Center with bail set at \$500,000. He is scheduled to appear in District Court on June 7.

Lara also is charged with a probation violation.

In February 2021, Lara was charged with driving while impaired in Randolph County. He was given a suspended sentence and put on probation for 18 months, according to records in the N.C. Department of Adult Correction. https://finance.yahoo.com/news/carthage-man-accused-possessing-child-181800885.html

Defendant Convicted of Child Molestation, Possession of Child Pornography

DATE: January 23, 2023

CASE: Sayed Ali Reza Fatemy (Case #21FE015617)

PROSECUTOR: Deputy District Attorney Daniel Jensen, Cyber Crimes Unit

Sayed Ali Reza Fatemy was convicted by a jury of six counts of child molestation and one count of aggravated possession of child pornography.

On September 9, 2021, members of the Internet Crimes Against Children Unit within the Sacramento Valley Hi-Tech Crimes Task Force executed a search warrant on Sayed Fatemy's home in Rio Linda. The search warrant was the result of a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that someone from inside the home was uploading videos of child pornography to the internet. Officers seized Fatemy's electronic devices and online accounts, which revealed a total of 11,207 images of child pornography in his possession. Some of the videos found were of Fatemy sexually abusing an infant.

Fatemy faces a maximum sentence of 18 years and 8 months in prison. Sentencing is set for February 17, 2023, at 2:30 p.m. in Department 33 before the Honorable Laurel White.

https://www.sacda.org/2023/01/defendant-convicted-of-child-molestation-possession-of-child-pornography/

Father accused of sex trafficking in connection to daughter allegedly selling online photos

The El Dorado County Sheriff's Office said the father was aware of what his daughter was doing online.

Author: Staff (ABC10)

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EL DORADO COUNTY, Calif. — A father in El Dorado County was accused of sex trafficking and child abuse in connection to his 16-year-old daughter allegedly selling nude photos online.

The El Dorado County Sheriff's Office said they opened an investigation regarding the teenager in August of 2023. Deputies said the teen had a "very well known online presence on a variety of social media platforms."

According to the sheriff's office, the girl was selling illegal content online and made about \$40,000 from it. Deputies said the girl's father, **Scott Davis**, was aware of what his daughter was doing online and was complicit in the profit.

After serving a search warrant at Davis' home, deputies took him into custody on suspicion of sex trafficking, contributing to the delinquency of a minor and child abuse.

The investigation is ongoing, but anyone with information surrounding the case can reach out to Detective Macres at macresc@edso.org or (530) 957-5227.

https://www.abc10.com/article/news/crime/sex-trafficking-allegation-el-dorado-county/103-a1aacba8-0257-4960-b249-9bc84d047b8b#:~:text=Deputies%20said%20the%20girl's%20father,a%20minor%20and%20child%20abuse.

Local man sentenced to 2-3 years in prison after pleading guilty to four charges

By Kheron Alston

Published: May. 1, 2023 at 7:55 PM EDT

PARKERSBURG, W.Va. (WTAP) - **Scott Dye** has been sentenced to 2-3 years in prison after pleading guilty to four counts of pandering sexually-oriented matter involving a minor or impaired person. Two counts being second degree felonies and the other two being fourth degree felonies.

This sentence came in the Washington County Courthouse by the hands of Judge Mark Kerenyi.

This sentencing came after Dye was found with child pornography in his possession.

Dye will serve the term of his four charges in concurrent years after the prosecuting attorney asked for the charges to be consecutive findings. https://www.wtap.com/2023/05/01/local-man-sentenced-2-3-years-prison-after-pleading-guilty-four-charges/

Algonquin man, 50, charged with 45 counts of child pornography

Scott Krueger held on \$500,000 bond in county jail, must post \$50,000 to be released

By Amanda Marrazzo September 01, 2023 at 6:30 am CDT

An Algonquin man was charged with 45 counts of child pornography Thursday and taken into custody at the McHenry County jail on a \$500,000 bond, according to documents filed in the county courthouse and jail log.

Scott Krueger, 50, of the 300 block of Country Lane, was charged with 17 counts of reproducing or distributing child pornography of children younger than 13, Class X felonies. He also was charged with reproducing or distributing child pornography of children younger than 18, possession of child pornography of children younger than 13, and possession of child pornography of children younger than 18, according to the criminal complaint.

A conviction on a Class X felony can carry a sentence of up to 30 years in prison. If convicted on the Class X felonies, he could face consecutive sentencing.

The charges come after the Algonquin Police Department executed a search warrant Wednesday in the 300 block of Country Lane, where Krueger's home is located, and with the assistance of the FBI, Illinois State Police and Lake County Sheriff's Office, arrested Krueger, the department said in a news release Friday.

He is accused of possessing photographs, video tapes and images on a computer depicting child pornography of children he knew or "reasonably should have known" to be younger than the ages of 13 and 18 on various dates in 2020 and 2021, according to the complaint.

"There is no indication that the images related to this investigation depict acts or involved children residing within the village of Algonquin," the Algonquin Police Department said in the release.

The investigation was started after multiple cybertips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, according to the release.

As of late Thursday, Krueger did not have an attorney listed in his case. He is due in court for a bond hearing Tuesday.

To be released from the county jail, he must post \$50,000, or 10% of his bond. https://www.shawlocal.com/northwest-herald/2023/09/01/algonquin-man-50-charged-with-45-counts-of-child-pornography/

Summit Man Charged with Distribution of Child Pornography

By TAPinto Summit Staff Published May 10, 2023 at 11:41 AM

SUMMIT, NJ - A Summit man was arrested and charged with distributing images of child sexual abuse, U.S. Attorney Philip R. Sellinger announced May 9.

Sean Lynch, 21, is charged by Complaint with one count of distribution of child pornography.

The Complaint states that, "Between on or about November 9, 2022 and on or about November 14, 2022, an individual, later identified as the defendant SEAN LYNCH ("LYNCH"), used an account with an identified screen name (the "Account") on an instant messaging mobile application (the "App") to send approximately seventy-two (72) videos of child pornography to other individuals."

Lynch appeared May 9 before U.S. Magistrate Judge Jessica S. Allen in Newark federal court and was released on \$100,000 unsecured bond, with home detention and electronic monitoring.

According to documents filed in this case and statements made in court, from Nov. 9, 2022, through Nov. 14, 2022, Lynch allegedly used an instant messaging mobile application to distribute to other individuals 72 videos depicting the sexual abuse of children. The Complaint includes disturbing details of three of the videos.

The count of distribution of child pornography carries a mandatory minimum penalty of five years in prison, a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison, and a fine of \$250,000.

A 2020 graduate of Summit High School, Lynch was attending Montclair State University, however -- via a 'Community Message' -- the University sated that, "In the interest of public safety, the student has been banned from the campus, pending the outcome."

In the same 'Community Message', the University also stated that, "This news follows on the New Jersey Attorney General's announcement on Monday, May 8, that a different student had been arrested last week on similar charges.

Although the two arrests occurred in recent days, they do not appear to be related."

U.S. Attorney Sellinger credited special agents of the U.S. Secret Service, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Jose J. Riera, with the investigation leading to the charges. He also thanked the Montclair State University Police Department, under the direction of Interim Chief Kieran Barrett, and the New Jersey State Police, under the direction of Col. Patrick J. Callahan, for their assistance.

The government is represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney Christopher Fell of the General Crimes Unit in Newark.

https://www.tapinto.net/towns/summit/sections/law-and-justice/articles/summit-man-charged-with-distribution-of-child-pornography

Naples man, 55, charged with dozens of child pornography counts, CCSO says

Tomas Rodriguez Naples Daily News Published 5:20 p.m. ET April 21, 2023

A Naples man faces dozens of child pornography charges after authorities say they found him in possession of child pornography following a search warrant.

Sean Alexander Rego, 55, was arrested Thursday on 69 child pornography charges, court records indicate.

According to his arrest report, deputies served a warrant at his residence in the 6500 block of Marbella Drive.

Rego possessed the material depicting children engaging in sexual conduct between Sept. 13, 2020, and Oct. 15, 2020, according to his arrest warrant.

He faces 29 charges related to the possession of the material and 40 counts related to the transmission of the material, court records indicate.

All the offenses are second-degree felonies.

Court records indicate he's next due in court May 15 for his arraignment before Collier Circuit Judge John McGowan.

No bond information was available before publication.

https://www.naplesnews.com/story/news/crime/2023/04/21/naples-man-arrested-on-dozens-of-child-pornography-counts-ccso-says/70139360007/

Salt Lake County man jailed for alleged child exploitation

By Gephardt Daily Staff -July 12, 2023

SALT LAKE COUNTY, Utah, July 12, 2023 (Gephardt Daily) — A Salt Lake County man was booked into jail Wednesday on five counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, a second-degree felony.

The charges against **Sergio M. Martinez**, 28, stem from an investigation begun after CyberTipline reports sent from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

On Wednesday, a search warrant served turned up files containing child sex abuse material. Martinez's arrest documents, filed by an officer of the Utah Attorney General's Office, say he confirmed his phone number and email, which were associated with the suspect in the report.

His affidavit says that prior to requesting an attorney, "Martinez did make some spontaneous utterances regarding having a messed up mind and needing help in overcoming child attraction."

Among the files recovered were one of a prepubescent girl of about 8 being raped by an adult and one of a female toddler being sodomized.

Martinez was booked into the Salt Lake County jail system and ordered held without bail.

https://gephardtdaily.com/local/salt-lake-county-man-jailed-for-alleged-child-exploitation/

Carpentersville sex offender faces child pornography crimes

Susan Sarkauskas Posted March 14, 2023 1:00 am

A sex offender from Carpentersville has been charged with child pornography crimes.

Sergio L. Rivas, 41, of the 7000 block of Lowell Drive, has been charged with reproducing child pornography — victim younger than 13; possession of child pornography — victim under 13; possession of child pornography; and failure to register as a sex offender.

Before Dec. 31, 2022, Rivas reproduced and had multiple videos and images of child pornography, according to a news release from the Kane County state's attorney and sheriff.

He also failed to register his social media accounts with the Carpentersville Police Department, according to the news release.

The case was investigated by the state's attorney and the sheriff's offices with help from the state attorney general and the Internet Crimes Against Children task force.

Rivas was arrested on March 10. He is free on \$30,000 bond.

According to the Illinois Sex Offender Registry, Rivas is a sexual predator with a conviction for aggravated criminal sexual abuse of a person under the age of 13. According to the registry, the victim was 11, and Rivas was 32 at the time of the crime. Kane County court records indicate it happened in 2014.

Court records also indicate he was charged in 2015 with an unauthorized video recording of a person under the age of 18 and possession of child pornography. But the disposition of the case is not clear.

https://www.dailyherald.com/news/20230314/carpentersville-sex-offender-faces-child-pornography-crimes/

Multiple child porn counts filed against Granite City man

Scott Cousins, Staff Writer May 20, 2023

EDWARDSVILLE — A Granite City man faces more than a dozen child pornography counts after being charged by the Illinois Attorney General's Office on Friday.

Sergio A. Zuniga-Chapol, 24, of the 2100 block of Bryan Avenue, Granite City, was charged with 15 separate counts of child pornography, all Class 2 felonies.

In addition, he was charged with unlawful possession of a controlled substance and unlawful possession of cannabis, both Class 4 felonies.

The child pornography charges were presented by the Attorney General's office, while the drug-related charges were presented by the Granite City Police Department.

According to court documents, between Jan. 30-31 and again on May 18, Zuniga-Chapol had possession of 15 different computer images of child pornography. On the drug-related charges, according to court documents, on May 18 he was found to be in possession of cocaine and cannabis.

Bail was set at \$500,000 for the child sex offenses, and \$20,000 for the drug case.

https://www.theintelligencer.com/news/article/granite-city-man-accused-child-pornography-18110082.php

Sullivan County deputies arrest Kingsport man in child pornography investigation

by WCYB Thu, April 13th 2023, 10:39 AM EDT

SULLIVAN COUNTY, Tenn. (WCYB) — Deputies in Sullivan County arrested and charged a man Wednesday with aggravated sexual exploitation of a minor and sexual exploitation of a minor.

Officials identified the suspect as 19-year-old **Seth Bowser**, of Kingsport, Tennessee.

According to investigators, deputies received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding images of suspected child pornography that were reported by Discord, Inc., an instant messaging platform.

They continue to say the information provided led investigators to speak with Bowser.

Investigators confirm the email and username that were used in the incident belong to Bowser.

Officers arrested and charged Bowser with aggravated sexual exploitation of a minor and sexual exploitation of a minor.

Officials say Bowser's arraignment was Thursday morning and his bond was set at \$20,000.

He remains in the Sullivan County Jail at the time of this release.

https://wcyb.com/news/local/sullivan-county-deputies-arrest-kingsport-man-in-child-pornography-investigation-seth-bowser-aggravated-sexual-exploitation-of-a-minor-sullivan-county-jail

Lake County, Oregon Grand Jury Indictments

Jun 28, 2023 Updated Jul 3, 2023

- In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Lake, the defendant, Seth Brandan Hillier, Also known as Seth Branden Hillier, is accused by the Grand Jury for Lake County of the following offense(s): Counts 1 - 10Encouraging Child Sexual Abuse in the First Degree — The defendant, on or between January 1, 2019 and December 16, 2022, in Lake County, Oregon, did unlawfully and knowing possess, access, or view a visual recordings of explicit conduct involving a child with intent to develop, duplicate, publish, print, disseminate, exchange, display, finance, attempt to finance or sell the visual recording will knowing or being aware of and consciously disregarding the fact that the creation of the visual recording of sexually explicit conduct involved child abuse. The State further alleges these Counts are separate and distinct from all other Counts. Counts 11 — 20 Encouraging Child Sexual Abuse in the Second Degree — The defendant, on or between January 1, 2019 and December 16, 2022, in Lake County, Oregon, did unlawfully, knowingly and for the purpose of arousing or satisfying the sexual desires of the said defendant or another person, possess and control, or knowingly access with intent to view visual recordings of sexually explicit conduct involving a child while knowingly or being aware of and consciously disregarding the fact that creation of the visual recording of sexually explicit conduct involved child abuse. The State further alleges these Counts are separate and distinct from all other Counts. Counts 21 — 30 Encouraging Child Sexual Abuse in the Third Degree — The defendant, on or between January 1, 2019 and December 16, 2022, in Lake County, Oregon, did unlawfully, knowingly and for the purpose of arousing or satisfying the sexual desires of the said defendant or another person, possess and control or knowingly access with intent to view visual recordings of sexually explicit conduct involving a child while knowing or failing to be aware of a substantial and unjustifiable risk that creation of the visual recording of sexually explicit conduct involved child abuse. The State further alleges these Counts are separate and distinct from all other Counts.

https://www.lakecountyexam.com/townnews/crime/lake-county-oregon-grand-jury-indictments/article_417283fe-1510-11ee-9539-3f57bfbcb876.html

Fultonville man arrested for child pornography

by: Jessie House

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FULTONVILLE, N.Y. (NEWS10) — State police arrested **Shadrach Geisler**, 45 of Fultonville on March 15. Geisler was accused of child sexual exploitation.

An investigation in Geisler stemmed from a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Police arrested Geisler following a search warrant and investigation on his home in Fultonville. He is accused of having and promoting images consistent with child sexual exploitation, commonly referred to as child pornography.

Charges

Promoting a sexual performance by a child

Criminal possession of a sexual performance by a child

Geisler was processed at Fonda state police, arraigned at the Glen Town Court, and remanded to the Montgomery County Correctional Facility in lieu of \$20,000 cash bail, a \$100,000 bond, or a \$200,000 partially secured bond.

https://www.news10.com/news/crime/fultonville-man-accused-of-child-sexual-exploitation/

Monroe man facing multiple child porn charges

By Lauren Pack Sept 14, 2023

A Monroe man is facing 20 felony charges for allegedly possessing child pornography, according to the Butler County Prosecutor's Office and court records.

Shannon Travis Lacey, 48, was indicted by a grand jury this week on nine counts of illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material or performance, a fifth-degree felony and 11 counts of pandering sexually-oriented matter involving a minor, a fourth-degree felony, according to the indictment.

The alleged crimes occured on April 4.

Assistant Butler County Prosecutor Lindsay Sheehan said there is no allegation Lacey was transmitting or creating the images but he was downloading from the internet.

"There was a lot of porn," Sheehan said.

The charges came after an investigation by Monroe Police that included a search of Lacey's residence.

Sheehan said the investigation began with a tip to the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

The case is assigned to Butler County Common Pleas Judge Greg Stephens, but an arraignment date has not yet been set. An arrest warrant was issued, but Lacey is not listed in the county jail roster.

Virginia Beach man arrested on 10 counts of child porn charges after search warrant

Virginia Beach police say that the Special Investigation Bureau executed a search warrant in the 3800 block of Creekwood Court.

Author: Emily Harrison

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VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. — A Virginia Beach man is in jail facing 10 felony charges of child pornography, and neighbors said the man used to be a children's baseball coach.

Police arrested 50-year-old **Shannon Robbins** after they received a search warrant to go through his home on Creekwood Court. According to court documents, detectives found several files of child porn inside the house.

Neighbors said they woke up baffled to find a SWAT team searching the quiet Virginia Beach neighborhood.

"My wife saw somebody getting frisked, I think she lived in the cul-de-sac over there," said one neighbor. "There were police officers all over the street."

Neighbors said detectives remained in the neighborhood gathering evidence for hours.

According to court documents, witness statements about the alleged pornography led police detectives to file for the search warrant.

The age and gender of the victims are not known at this time, and Virginia Beach police could not confirm or deny Robbins' past position and said the investigation is ongoing.

13News Now reached out to Robbins' attorney but did not hear back.

Robbins is in Virginia Beach City Jail without bond. He is expected to appear before a judge on October 31.

Police say the investigation is ongoing and that anyone with information about the case is encouraged to leave an anonymous tip at 1-888-8477 or P3tips.com.

24 year old Shippensburg man arrested for child porn possession

27 April 2023- A young Shippensburg man is looking at charges from the Pennsylvania Attorney General's office after cyber tips allegedly show him sending nearly 100 files of child porn over the internet. **Shawn Ryan Alleman** is charged with 25 counts of felony child pornography possession and one count of felony criminal use of a communications facility. Alleman is free on an unsecured bail of \$20,000.

On August 11th of 2022, members of the Attorney General's Office received cyber tips from National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about an individual uploading 98 files to the messaging platform Kik. The Upload IP addresses were found later to be in Pennsylvania and the files were determined to be child pornography. The account used was later deleted but Agent Nye of the Attorney General's Office later received more cyber tips about additional users that were uploading child pornography. This continued across multiple usernames. The usernames had similar emails but not the same attached to them, most notably starting with "salleman".

On October 7th of 2022, Special Agent Nye carried out a subpoena on Comcast subscriber information for one of the IP addresses involved in the child porn uploading. That subpoena turned up an address on Partridge Trail in Shippensburg associated with Shawn Ryan Alleman. On January 23rd of 2023, a search warrant was granted for that home on Partridge Trail.

The next day, January 24th, agents from the Pennsylvania Office of the Attorney General executed a search warrant on the property associated with Shawn Alleman and his parents. Alleman was found to be the only person home and was subsequently video interviewed in the dining room.

During the interview, police confirmed ISP's used by Alleman, phone numbers, social media used by Alleman, and other relevant information. Alleman allegedly told investigators that he had had Kik accounts previously but had actively deleted them soon after creating them because "he no longer needed the accounts". After asking why they were deleted, Alleman allegedly said his accounts get blocked and that this was most likely because of child pornography. When asked about whether investigators would find child

pornography in the home, Alleman allegedly said "no" because he "deletes the child pornography after he is done with it".

Asking when and how he gets the child porn, Alleman allegedly told investigators that he follows links through Kik and that he had allegedly first seen it after he graduated high school. Alleman also allegedly told investigators that he had seen child porn within the last two weeks but doesn't have a Kik currently because he would make a new account, search for child porn, masturbate to it, then delete it after about three or four days because he knew it was wrong.

After examining Alleman's files on his devices, it was determined that he had at least 25 files of apparent child pornography on his iPhone. According to investigators though, "It should be noted that the twenty five files of child phonography is a small sampling of the total number of child pornography files located on Alleman's Apple iPhone".

Shawn Alleman is free on an unsecured bail of \$20,000. His preliminary hearing is set for May 3rd.

https://tristatealert.com/24-year-old-shippensburg-man-arrested-for-child-porn-possession/

Clay County Sheriff Michelle Cook announces 10 arrests in 'Operation Shining Light'

Cook says investigators and agents went undercover posing and pretending to be 13 or 14-year-old children which then lured the accused sexual predators.

Author: Malcolm Harvey, First Coast News (On Your Side)

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CLAY COUNTY, Fla. — Clay County Sheriff Michelle Cook announced the arrests of 10 people in 'Operation Shining Light' Wednesday morning as the individuals are each accused of sexually exploiting children.

The "physical" operation, Cook says, which happened from Aug. 2, 2023 through Aug. 6, continued through the 6th, as multiple law enforcement agencies still had to conduct interviews, subpoenas and search warrants. Cook says the operation's primary goal was to identify and arrest individuals who were using the internet to sexually exploit children.

During Operation Shining Light, investigators and agents went undercover as children online to uncover and capture individuals involved in child sexual exploitation. Cook says "chatters" were posing and pretending to be 13 or 14-year-old children.

As a result of the operation, the following 10 people were arrested for attempting to sexually exploit minors:

Bryan Brandon Martinez, 19, Crescent City - Charged with soliciting a child for unlawful sexual conduct using computer services or devices, unlawful use of a two-way communications device and traveling to meet a minor to commit an unlawful sexual act. Martinez's bond has been set at \$450,000.

Luke Joshua Parrish, 30, Jacksonville - Charged with soliciting a child for unlawful sexual conduct using computer services or devices, soliciting a child for unlawful sexual conduct using computer services or devices through a parent, custodian or legal guardian, unlawful use of a two-way communications device and traveling to meet a minor to commit an unlawful sexual act. Parish's bond has been set at \$600,012.

Scott Christopher Smith, 39, Jacksonville - Charged with soliciting a child for unlawful sexual conduct using computer services or devices, unlawful use of a two-way communications device and traveling to meet a minor to commit an unlawful sexual act. Smith's bond has been set at \$300,009.

Detavious Denard McDuffie, 26, Rhine, Georgia - Charged with soliciting a child for unlawful sexual conduct using computer services or devices, unlawful use of a two-way communications device and traveling to meet a minor to commit an unlawful sexual act. McDuffie's bond has been set at \$300,009.

Marc Conner Jubin, 27, Jacksonville - Charged with soliciting a child for unlawful sexual conduct using computer services or devices, unlawful use of a two-way communications device and traveling to meet a minor to commit an unlawful sexual act. Juven's bond has been set at \$350,009.

Eric Jayson Torres Jiminez, 38, Jacksonville - Charged with soliciting a child for unlawful sexual conduct using computer services or devices, unlawful use of a two-way communications device and traveling to meet a minor to commit an unlawful sexual act. Hernandez's bond has been set at \$450,009.

Reginald Renaldo Jefferson Jr., 29, Jacksonville - Charged with soliciting a child for unlawful sexual conduct using computer services or devices, unlawful use of a two-way communications device, traveling to meet a minor to commit an unlawful sexual act and fleeing and eluding police. Jefferson's bond has been set at \$400,012.

Shawn Lei Burge, 49, Tallahassee - Federally charged with online enticement of a minor to engage in sexual activity and distribution of child pornography

Jason Charles Nicholas, 53, Ramona, California - Federally charged with distribution of sexual abuse materials

Jose Luis Gonzalez Jr., 33, Georgia - Gonzalez was arrested in Gainesville, Georgia, and was federally charged with five counts of distribution of child sexual abuse materials

https://www.firstcoastnews.com/article/news/crime/clay-county-sheriff-michelle-cook-announces-10-arrests-in-operation-shining-light-wednesday-morning/77-ec6c1955-4456-434a-b364-

58dfca947ce0#:~:text=Shawn%20Lei%20Burge%2C%2049%2C%20Tallahassee,and%20distribution%20of%20child%20pornography

Man arrested after caught with child pornography in Visalia, police say

by FOX26 News Wed, June 21st, 2023, 7:35 PM EDT

VISALIA, Calif. (FOX26) — A man was arrested Wednesday afternoon after he was caught with child pornography in Visalia.

According to the Visalia Police Department, **Shawn Husband**, 43, was arrested after a cyber tip led officers to find explicit and obscene photos of children at his home.

Investigators say Husband was arrested in the 2500 block of W. Dorothea Avenue and was booked into the Tulare County Jail.

https://kmph.com/news/local/man-arrested-after-caught-with-child-pornography-in-visalia-police-say-06-21-2023

Woman charged with two counts of child pornography possession

By: Kristen Shill

Dec 29, 2023 Updated Dec 29, 2023

DUNN COUNTY (WQOW) - A daycare worker in Menomonie is charged with two counts of possessing child pornography.

If convicted, **Shelly Horn** could spend up to 50 years in prison. According to the criminal complaint, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children contacted local authorities to report child pornography was found linked to accounts Horn managed.

The complaint noted Horn works at the Wisconsin Early Autism Project (WEAP) and Stout daycare, where she is assigned to one child at a time. News 18 reached out to both to see if she is currently employed there. UW-Stout told us she has never been an employee of the university. WEAP told News 18 she's been terminated from her position.

Horn is due in court in February for an initial appearance.

 $https://www.wqow.com/news/crime/woman-charged-with-two-counts-of-child-pornography-possession/article_3c624222-a693-11ee-b60b-c36080c2d854.html\\$

West Columbia man charged with four counts of sexual exploitation of a minor

Posted Monday, February 20, 2023 11:04 am By Jordan Lawrence

A West Columbia man is accused of possessing child sexual abuse material.

The state Attorney General's Office announced the Feb. 13 arrest of **Simon Manuel Gates**, 29, after an investigation by the office's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, which included investigators from the Lexington County Sheriff's Department.

The arrest came after investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, and the Attorney General's Office reports in a release that Gates possessed multiple files of child sexual abuse material.

Gates is charged with four counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, a felony that is punishable by up to 10 years in prison on each count.

The Attorney General's Office will prosecute the case.

*Child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, is a more accurate reflection of the material involved in these heinous and abusive crimes," the release states. "'Pornography' can imply the child was a consenting participant. Globally, the term child pornography is being replaced by CSAM for this reason." https://www.lexingtonchronicle.com/stories/west-columbia-man-charged-with-four-counts-of-sexual-exploitation-of-a-minor,45631

Police: Dozens of child porn files found on Evansville man's cell phone

<u>Adam Kight</u> Jun 14, 2023 Updated Jun 14, 2023

EVANSVILLE, Ind. (WEVV) — An Evansville man is facing numerous felony child pornography charges after investigators say they found explicit videos and images on his phone.

Detectives with the Evansville Police Department say they received information back in November 2022 from an electronic service provider about a file that possibly contained child exploitation material on a customer's account.

Investigators say they determined that the file was child pornography, and that it was on the account of 29-year-old **Spencer Rice** of Evansville.

Police say that in January and February of 2023, the electronic service provider contacted them again about three more instances where child exploitation material was found on Rice's account.

Authorities say they got a search warrant for Rice's cell phone, and that they seized it at his home in February.

During a forensic examination of the phone, investigators say they found 115 images and 48 videos of child porn where the victims ages appear to be between 12 and 15.

Rice was arrested and booked into the Vanderburgh County Jail. https://www.wevv.com/news/crime/police-dozens-of-child-porn-files-found-on-evansville-mans-cell-phone/article_bdcea6c2-0ac9-11ee-8eb9-23513bc2e3e2.html

\$3.4 million bond set for man arrested for possession of obscene matter in Shelby County

by ABC 33/40 Mon, April 24th 2023, 4:50 PM EDT

SHELBY COUNTY, Ala. (WBMA) — A Birmingham man was arrested Friday on multiple charges of being in possession of obscene matter depicting children in Shelby County.

The Shelby County Sheriff's Office said a tip from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force led to a joint investigation with the Marion County Sheriff's Office.

The investigation led to the arrest of 76-year-old **Stanley Andrews**. He was charged with 10 counts of "Possession of obscene matter containing visual depiction of persons under 17 years of age involved in obscene acts."

The Shelby County Sheriff's Office said investigators have no information that suggests the images were produced in or near Shelby County.

Andrews is currently being held in the Shelby County Jail on \$3,405,000 bond.

This investigation is ongoing and the Shelby County Sheriff's Office asked anyone with additional information to call (205) 670-6000. An anonymous tip can be submitted to Crime Stoppers at 205-254-7777, or on their website at www.crimestoppersmetroal.com.

https://abc3340.com/newsletter-daily/alabama-shelby-county-sheriffs-office-stanley-andrews-arrested-arrest-birmingham-possession-of-obscene-matter-bond-internet-crimes-against-children-task-force-investigation

Columbia County man accused of uploading child pornography

By Staff

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GROVETOWN, Ga. (WRDW/WAGT) - A Columbia County man has been arrested and charged in relation to child pornography possession, according to officials.

According to Columbia County inmate bookings, **Stanley Hester**, 20, is charged with two counts of possession of child pornography.

Authorities say on Tuesday around 10 a.m., investigators from the Grovetown Police Department Criminal Investigations Division, the Columbia County Sheriff's Office, and the Georgia Bureau of Investigation executed a search warrant at a home on the 1800 blook of Hunters Cove in Evans.

The tip received through the GBI Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce revealed that sexual images and videos involving children had been uploaded in October of 2022 to an online system from devices registered to Hester.

Multiple electronic devices were located at the home and taken as part of the investigation. Additional charges may be coming, according to officials. https://www.wrdw.com/2023/03/01/20-year-old-columbia-county-man-arrested-child-pornography-charges/

Former Powhatan government employee faces 18 new child pornography charges in ongoing investigation

by: Delaney Murray

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POWHATAN COUNTY, Va. (WRIC) — A former Powhatan County government employee is facing multiple child pornography charges as a result of an ongoing investigation that began last year.

Stephen Russell Shaw was previously arrested by the Powhatan County Sheriff's Office on two counts of possession of child pornography and one count of distribution of child pornography in October 2022. This arrest came after evidence was collected during a search warrant on Sept. 30, 2022, at Shaw's home.

According to Powhatan Commonwealth's Attorney Rob Cerullo, Shaw was released on bond after his October charges and was given permission to leave the state pending trial. In the meantime, the investigation into Shaw continued.

Cerullo said that on Feb. 14, 2023, Shaw was indicted on 18 additional criminal charges by the Powhatan County Grand Jury. These new charges include one count of production of child pornography first offense, five counts of production of child pornography second or subsequent offense, six counts of possession of child pornography and six counts of unlawful filming of a nonconsenting nude minor.

Shaw was located in Georgia on Thursday, Feb. 16, and was taken into custody. He will remain in Georgia until he can be extradited back to Virginia. Cerullo said that Shaw was not a fugitive and that the county was aware of his location when he left the state.

According to Cerullo, at the time of Shaw's arrest, he was employed by the Powhatan County government in the Building and Inspections Department. Cerullo said Shaw was terminated after his arrest.

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Delta Air Lines avionics mechanic Steven Alcide arrested in Sharpsburg, Georgia

Date: October 11, 2023Author: Erica Diaz Mendoza Lao

Steven Alcide, 60, of Sharpsburg, Coweta County, Georgia, United States previously lived in Staten Island, New York, USA and in Everett, Washington, USA. Aside from Sharpsburg, he has lived in other parts of Georgia including Atlanta, Covington and Stockbridge.

In September 1989, Alcide joined the Delta Air Lines at the Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport in Atlanta as an avionics mechanic. While employed by the airline, he allegedly either downloaded or shared a single image of sexual abuse material at his residence in Sharpsburg.

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After receiving a tip about the material from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, the Coweta County Internet Crimes Against Children Unit started investigating Alcide. His employment at the Delta Airlines was never part of the investigation.

On October 6, 2023, Coweta County Sheriff's Office deputies arrested Alcide at his residence in Sharpsburg and he was charged with sexual exploitation of children. On October 7, 2023, he posted a \$50,000 bond and was released.

The Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport is the primary hub of the Delta Air Lines. The airline's primary maintenance, repair and overhaul arm is in the airport.

The Delta Air Lines and the United Airlines are the only two U.S. carriers that fly to Stockholm, Sweden. The former is the only U.S. carrier that flies to Dakar, Senegal and Copenhagen, Denmark.

https://conandaily.com/2023/10/11/delta-air-lines-avionics-mechanic-steven-alcide-arrested-in-sharpsburg-georgia/

Green Bay man accused of trying to entice 13-year-old runaway from Hawaii

The "runaway" was an undercover officer posing as a child online

By WBAY news staff Published: Sep. 21, 2023 at 11:15 AM EDT

GREEN BAY, Wis. (WBAY) - A 44-year-old man from Green Bay faces 25 years in prison if he's convicted of trying to entice a 13-year-old girl from Hawaii.

The girl was actually an undercover officer investigating the trafficking and exploitation of children at a military installation in Hawaii.

According to the complaint against **Steven Baye**, the special agent posted an ad on Reddit saying she wanted to run away. A Reddit user replied to the ad and offered to house the girl with the intention of having sex with her.

He went on to say that he was sexually active with his two daughters, 13 and 15 years old, and previously had sex with a juvenile runaway. Investigators say he sent a number of explicit photos of himself and a young girl.

Detectives tracked down the Reddit account to Baye, and they confirmed he doesn't have any children. A U.S. Marshals Office task force took him into custody Monday.

When investigators interviewed him, they say Baye admitted to some of the accusations but said he didn't know the "girl" he was chatting with was supposed to be 13 and said he thought "this was like a role playing thing."

He admitted having other conversations with girls under 18 and said investigators would find pictures of girls on his phone, clothed and not nude.

Baye is charged in Brown County court with one count of child enticement for sexual contact. He signed a \$10,000 signature bond with stipulations he can't use Reddit and he can't use social media to contact anyone under the age of 18.

https://www.wbay.com/2023/09/21/green-bay-man-accused-trying-entice-13-year-old-runaway-hawaii/

Man arrested on child sex charges following Newton Falls raid

by: Joe Gorman, Nadine Grimley

Posted: Jun 29, 2023 / 05:38 PM EDT

NEWTON TWP., Ohio (WKBN) — A man was arrested on sex charges Thursday after a search warrant was served at a home in the 2300 block of Grant Avenue.

Steven Billock, 39, faces two counts of pandering obscenity involving a minor, a second-degree felony and one count of gross sexual imposition, a third-degree felony.

The charges were filed Friday in municipal court, a news release from the Trumbull County Sheriff's Office said.

The release said the warrant was served at the home after the sheriff's office received a tip from the Ohio Internet Crimes Against Children agency, part of the state attorney general's office.

An 8-year-old victim is in the care of Trumbull County Children Services Board.

Evidence collected in the search included images and video.

"It was pretty severe. We knew that we had to act on it as soon as we received the information, and we started working on obtaining a search warrant," said Major Tony Villanueva

Assisting the sheriff's office were the Mahoning Valley Crisis Response Team, the Department of Homeland Security, Cuyahoga County Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, Howland and Liberty police departments and Trumbull County Children Services Board.

Villanueva wanted to emphasize the outstanding cooperation between all those agencies. He said everyone had to act quickly when they got the tip, and they were not sure exactly what they were getting into when they raided the residence.

https://www.wkbn.com/news/local-news/newton-falls-news/investigators-serve-warrant-at-newton-twp-house/

Two local men facing separate indecent liberties charges

Moss Brennan Dec 6, 2023 Updated Dec 6, 2023

WATAUGA — Two Watauga County men are facing separate charges related to indecent liberties with a child.

Steven P. Downs, 56, of Deep Gap, was arrested on Nov. 28 and charged with four counts of indecent liberties and two counts of a statutory sex offense with a minor, according to the Watauga County Sheriff's Office arrest report.

According to court documents, Downs is facing two felony sexual offense with a child charges and one felony indecent liberties with a child charge stemming from Oct. 1, 2011; two felony indecent liberties with a child charges stemming from Sept. 1, 2009; and one felony indecent liberties with a child charge stemming from March 9, 2007.

Downs was issued no bond and no court date was listed in the arrest report.

Donald L. Dennis Jr., 37, of Sugar Grove, was arrested on Nov. 28 and charged with indecent liberties with a child, according to the WCSO arrest report.

According to court documents, Dennis faces one charge of felony indecent liberties with a child that stems from July 1.

Dennis was issued a Dec. 20 court date and a \$50,000 secured bond, according to the arrest report.

https://www.wataugademocrat.com/news/local/two-local-men-facing-separate-indecent-liberties-charges/article_54d6ad44-92dd-11ee-9aaf-67933e6e39df.html

Alton man charged with circulating child porn, meth possession

By Rheanna Wachter

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EDWARDSVILLE, III. (KMOV) - The Madison County State's Attorney Tom Haine and Attorney General Kwame Raoul announced Friday that they are filing charges against a Metro East man in relation to distributing child porn on social media.

Steven Garrison, 44, of Alton, II, is being charged with five Class X felony counts of child pornography. These counts allege that between February 1 to February 4, Garrison used the messaging platform Discord to post videos containing child pornography.

The investigation into Garrison started when the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children received cyber tips. The case was investigated by the Illinois Attorney General's Office Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, with assistance from the Alton Police Department.

"Child pornography is a horrific crime that can leave life-long scars on innocent children and their families," said Raoul. "As a result of the law enforcement collaboration through my office's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, this alleged predator can be held accountable."

During the investigation, it was found that Garrison had 15-100 grams of methamphetamine. This resulted in another Class X felony charge of unlawful possession of methamphetamine with intent to deliver.

A Class X felony is punishable by up to 30 years in prison.

Garrison's bail is set at \$500,000. He remained in custody as of Friday afternoon.

The judge also granted a prosecution request that Garrison be prohibited from having contact with anyone younger than 18 in the event that he is released on bond.

"Child pornography is appalling, and these types of cases are very concerning," said Haine. "As prosecutors, we must always go above and beyond to protect our vulnerable children from sexual exploitation. We're thankful that this matter was brought to the attention of the proper authorities, and I commend the investigators and agencies for their tremendous work on the case."

The Charges were filed in the Circuit Court in Madison County. https://www.kmov.com/2023/07/14/alton-man-charged-with-circulating-child-porn-meth-possession/

Maryville man charged with sex crimes against minors

By Staff Reports 2023-11-04

Maryville Police officers charged a Maryville man with multiple sex crimes against minors Thursday, Nov. 2 after an investigation allegedly revealed numerous pornographic images of children on his devices. **Steven Edward Hicks**, 50, is being held in lieu of bonds totaling \$75,000 pending a 9 am. Nov. 7 hearing in Blount County General Sessions Court.

Maryville Police Chief Tony Crisp said his department started investigating information they received regarding a social media account around Oct. 5. That investigation eventually led them to execute a search warrant at Hicks' home.

"We confiscated several devices and brought them in for analysis," Crisp said.

"As a result of that we obtained warrants charging him with one count of sexual exploitation of a minor and two counts of aggravated sexual exploitation of a minor."

Investigators found what Crisp described as "numerous" images of minors on the devices. Hicks' phone in particular is listed on all three of the affidavits for his arrest. One affidavit describes "over 50 sexually explicit images."

Hicks turned himself in at the Maryville Police Department Thursday and was transported to the Blount County Correctional Facility at 1:50 p.m. https://www.newsbreak.com/maryville-tn/3218136103162-maryville-man-charged-with-sex-crimes-against-minors

Hayward man charged with possessing child pornography

Terrell Boettcher Staff reporter May 10, 2023

A Hayward area resident charged earlier this year with possession of child pornography has had a second charge of possessing child pornography filed in Sawyer County Circuit Court.

Steven Allen Klecker, 70, 12810W County Road T, Hayward, was charged on Feb. 14 this year with possessing child pornography Jan. 4, 2022, in the town of Lenroot.

Sawyer County sheriff's officers received a tip from the Wisconsin Division of Criminal Investigation Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force that on Jan. 4, 2022, that Klecker had uploaded a video from his e-mail that depicted child pornography.

Klecker posted a \$20,000 cash bond and is ordered not to have any access to the internet or possess devices that have access to the internet, and not to have contact with persons under the age of 18.

During a May 3, 2023, court appearance, Presiding Judge Annette Barna denied a defense motion to dismiss the earlier charges.

The new charge, filed on May 2, accuses Klecker of two counts of possessing child pornography on Jan. 12, 2022.

According to the charges, a Sawyer County sheriff's deputy received a cyber tip from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force that child pornography was being downloaded to a computer in Sawyer County.

Deputies obtained a search warrant for Klecker's residence and on Jan. 12, 2022, deputies and a DCI analyst executed the warrant at the residence and a storage building used by Klecker. They removed an iMac and digital storage devices, which were downloaded by the DCI analyst at the state crime lab. The devices contained four pornographic images and a conversation by Klecker with a man from Ireland in which he stated "I look for girls here."

Klecker had his initial court appearance May 3. His bond of \$20,000, combined for the two cases, continues. A preliminary hearing is set for June 19.

OSBI arrests Oklahoma City man on child pornography charges

by Miranda Vondale Foster Fri, February 17th 2023, 11:59 AM EST

OKLAHOMA CITY (KOKH) — The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI), assisted by the Oklahoma City Police Department (OKCPD) and Homeland Security Investigations made an arrest of a man for child pornography allegations.

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Ravia is facing charges of Facilitating Sexual Conduct with a Minor, Exhibit Obscene Material or Child Pornography to a Minor Child, and Violation of the Oklahoma Computer Crimes Act.

If anyone suspects a child is being sexually exploited, contact the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children by calling 1-800-THE-LOST, or report it online. You can also contact the OSBI ICAC Unit at (800) 522-8017 or by emailing tips@osbi.ok.gov.

https://okcfox.com/news/local/osbi-arrest-child-pornography-oklahoma-city-police-department-okcpd-ocpd-homeland-security-investigations-hsi-quachita-parish-sheriffs-office-qpso-louisiana-oklahoma-county-detention-center-ocdc-jail-national-center-for-missing-and-exploited-children-okc

Davie County Man Sentenced to 50 Years for Production and Distribution of Child Pornography

Tuesday, November 28, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Middle District of North Carolina

GREENSBORO – A Mocksville man was sentenced today to 600 months in prison after pleading guilty to production and distribution of child pornography, announced United States Attorney Sandra J. Hairston of the Middle District of North Carolina (MDNC).

According to court records, in September 2021 the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) received a cybertip that an individual in Davie County, North Carolina was uploading and distributing child pornography. Law enforcement investigated and determined **Steven Tyler SMITH**, age 24, was responsible. Based upon a forensic review, SMITH had a total of more than 1,500 images and videos of child sexual exploitation. The investigation further revealed that SMITH sexually abused a 15-18 month old child and shared videos and images of the abuse with others online.

SMITH was sentenced to a 600-month term of imprisonment followed by 20 years of supervised release by the Honorable Thomas D. Schroeder, United States District Judge in the United States District Court for the MDNC. In addition to prison time, SMITH was ordered to pay restitution to victims totaling \$91,000 and special assessments totaling \$5,200.00. He pleaded guilty to one count of production of child pornography and one count of distribution of child pornography on April 4, 2023.

The case was investigated by the Department of Homeland Security and the Davie County Sheriff's Office and was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys K. P. Kennedy Gates and Lindsey Freeman.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-mdnc/pr/davie-county-man-sentenced-50-years-production-and-distribution-child-pornography

DeKalb man charged in child pornography investigation

by: John Clark

Posted: Sep 22, 2023 / 09:59 AM CDT

DEKALB, Ill. (WTVO) — Police have arrested **Steven Trottier**, 71, on charges of child pornography after a tip from the Illinois Attorney General's Office.

According to the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office, in May, Trottier popped up on the radar of the Internet Crimes Against Children task force for electronic sharing of child pornography files.

Police performed a search warrant of Trottier's home and vehicles on Thursday, September 21st and confiscated devices containing the evidence.

He was taken into custody by officers from the St. Charles Police Department and booked into the DeKalb County Jail.

Prosecutors are requesting he be held for trial under the new SAFE-T Act law. https://www.mystateline.com/news/local-news/dekalb-man-charged-in-child-pornography-investigation/

Racine County man arrested on child pornography charges

By: Jason Lee

Posted: Nov 28, 2023 12:36 PM CST

RACINE, Wis. (CBS 58) -- The Racine County Sheriff's Office reports that they have apprehended 32-year-old **Sunny S. Mazurek** on charges of possessing child pornography.

According to a report replaced by RCSO, the arrest followed an investigation by the Sheriff's Internet Crimes Against Children division of the Criminal Investigations Bureau.

Authorities conducted a search warrant at Mazurek's residence in the 1500 block of Lincoln St. in Racine.

Officials say that an investigation revealed a significant collection of "child sexual abuse material" on electronic devices in Mazurek's home when a search warrant was conducted on Tuesday, Nov. 28. The discovery was made after Racine County Sheriff's Investigators, in collaboration with Special Agents from the Wisconsin Department of Criminal Investigations, served the warrant.

Mazurek has reportedly denied any wrongdoing related to the uploading or downloading of child pornography and is currently detained in the Racine County Jail with bail set at \$505,100.

The charges against him include ten counts of Possession of Child Pornography, Possession of THC-Repeat Drug Offender and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Sheriff Christopher Schmaling noted in a media report, "The Sheriff's Office is committed to ensuring the safety of our community, and we will continue to work diligently to take sexual predators off of our streets."

https://www.cbs58.com/news/racine-county-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-charges-11-28-23

5 Mesa County men arrested for having child pornography

Nick Koziara September 28, 2023

MESA COUNTY, Colo. (<u>KREX</u>) — Law enforcement arrested five men in Mesa County for being in possession of child pornography.

The Mesa County Sheriff's Office, Homeland Security Investigation and the Colorado Bureau of Investigations conducted a several month-long investigation that ended in the arrest of five Grand Valley residents for having child pornography on their electronic devices.

62-year-old Michael Forstner of Grand Junction was arrested on 12 counts of sexual exploitation of a child.

42-year-old Michael Jason of Fruita was arrested on six sounds of sexual exploitation of a child, three of those being children under the age of 12.

44-year-old Dustin McClain of Grand Junction was arrested on seven counts of sexual exploitation of a child, four of those being children under the age of 12.

21-year-old Jason McNally of Clifton was arrested on four counts of sexual exploitation of a child, four of those being children under the age of 12.

18-year-old **Syril Palmer of Clifton** was arrested on two counts of sexual exploitation of a child.

https://news.yahoo.com/5-mesa-county-men-arrested-003747646.html#:~:text=18%2Dyear%2Dold%20Syril%20Palmer,image%20courtesy%20of%20the%20MCSO

Internet Crimes Against Children Tips Lead to Four Arrested On Suspicion of Child Pornography

JESSICA CEJNAR ANDREWS / TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2023 @ 2:02 P.M. / CRIME

Four people face child pornography charges in connection with three separate cases, including one that allegedly involves a local victim, Crescent City Police Chief Richard Griffin told the *Wild Rivers Outpost*.

These arrests are the products of search warrants CCPD served on March 8 and March 13 that began as tips the department received from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, or ICAC, Griffin said Tuesday.

The first search warrant, served on the 1000 block of U.S. 101 in Crescent City on March 8, resulted in the arrest of 22-year-old **Ta-Teh Kennedy** on suspicion of downloading child pornography.

According to Griffin, a search of Kennedy's devices uncovered videos Kennedy and his girlfriend, Elijah Price, 18, had allegedly produced involving a local 6-year-old child. By then, Price had fled the area, Griffin said.

After CCPD contacted Humboldt County law enforcement, Price turned herself in and was booked into the Humboldt County jail on March 12, according to Griffin.

Griffin said the alleged videos Kennedy and Price had been producing might have been made over the course of about a year, though CCPD is still working on a complete forensic download of the digital devices officers seized.

Griffin said he expected more charges to be filed against the suspects.

"We are in contact with the child's parent and they're fully cooperating. They had no idea this was going on," Griffin told the *Outpost*, adding that they're also investigating the possibility that the child's sibling may also be a victim.

Griffin said he expects the forensic downloads to be finished next week.

Kennedy faces charges of oral copulation with a minor, possessing obscene matter involving a child under 14 and for possessing obscene matter for commercial purposes.

CCPD served a second search warrant at a home on the 600 block of Washington Boulevard, also on March 8. Acting on a tip from ICAC that someone downloaded child pornography through social media, CCPD arrested 68-year-old Howard Coates.

"We did seize several devices and we also got a good interview with (Coates) where he did admit to downloading child pornography," Griffin said.

Coates faces a charge of possessing obscene matter involving a child under 14.

Griffin said officers also interviewed Coates' roommate, who, while not associated with the original investigation, also allegedly admitted to downloading child pornography. However, due to experiencing a medical episode while officers served the search warrant, the roommate was taken to Sutter Coast Hospital, Griffin said.

Griffin said he will be forwarding the results of that investigation to the Del Norte County District Attorney for review and for potentially filing charges against the roommate.

Griffin's officers served the third search warrant in connection with tips and information his department received from ICAC on Monday at the 1900 block of Northcrest Drive. There they contacted and arrested 28-year-old Rod Mustard Jr. and seized multiple digital devices, Griffin said.

According to the police chief, Mustard also allegedly admitted to downloading child pornography. He's charged with sexual exploitation of a minor and possessing obscene matter involving a child under 14.

Griffin said his department is working with the District Attorney's office and fells CCPD has solid cases for the DA to move forward with prosecution.

"These types of cases aren't the easiest to work because of what the officers have to see and the evidence we have to review," he said. "Everything was done the right way. We believe we have solid cases to forward to the District Attorney's office and we've been in constant contact with them also." https://wildrivers.lostcoastoutpost.com/2023/mar/14/international-crimes-against-children-tips-lead-fo/#:~:text=The%20first%20search%20warrant%2C%20served,suspicion%20of%20downloading%20child%20pornog raphy

Newnan man arrested for child porn, exploitation

Feb 14, 2023 Updated Mar 13, 2023

Authorities say the investigation of a Newman man arrested for child pornography will continue.

Tamarkus Terez Geter, 28, was arrested Feb. 7 and charged with felony child exploitation. His arrest resulted from information received by the Coweta County Sheriff's Office Crime Suppression Unit on Jan. 27.

"Investigators received information that an address located inside Coweta County was in possession of child-related pornography," said Sgt. Toby Nix, public information officer for the CCSO.

Nix said investigators from the CSU traced the IP address to residence on Westside School Road and secured a search warrant. Geter was arrested when they executed the search warrant.

"multiple cellphones and laptops were taken as evidence an will be processed as this investigation continues," Nix said, adding that additional charges against Geter are possible.

 $https://www.times-herald.com/news/local/newnan-man-arrested-for-child-porn-exploitation/article_4b46f554-18dd-541f-a796-69335e26e44e.html$

Angleton man charged with possession of child pornography

From Facts staff reports Nov 2, 2023 Updated Nov 2, 2023

ANGLETON — A 23-year-old man faces child pornography charges after being arrested Thursday, authorities said.

The Brazoria County Sheriff's Office arrested **Tanner Lee Hogan** in the 1300 block of Buchta Road after executing a search warrant for his home.

"Subsequent investigations uncovered disturbing evidence of child pornography within the premises," wrote Madison Polston, public information officer, in a news release.

After consulting with the Brazoria County District Attorney's Office, the sheriff's office charged Hogan with two counts of first-degree felony possession of child pornography for video depicting sexual assault of a child, and one count of third-degree felony possession of child pornography, according to the release.

Members of the Houston-Metro Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force assisted the sheriff's office in searching the home. The Pearland Police Department, Homeland Security Investigations and the Texas City Police Department also assisted, the release states.

Hogan awaited a bond hearing after being booked into the Brazoria County jail Thursday afternoon, online records show.

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Syracuse man arrested on 18 counts of promoting, posessing sexual performance by a child

by Emma Misiaszek Fri, March 17th 2023, 3:16 PM EDT

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Onondaga County Sheriff's Detectives executed a search warrant Friday morning at an apartment on North Clinton Street in the City of Syracuse as a result of a child pornography investigation.

Detectives recovered computers, electronic storage devices and cell phones of 27-year-old **Tanner Witt**.

Witt was arrested for nine counts of promoting a sexual performance by a child and nine counts of possession a sexual performance by a child. The search warrant and arrest are the result of a six-month investigation.

The Detectives work as part of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Witt is currently in custody at the Onondaga County Justice Center. https://cnycentral.com/news/local/syracuse-man-arrested-on-18-counts-of-promoting-posessing-sexual-performance-by-a-child

Convicted sex offender faces child pornography charge

By WILLIAM F. WEST Staff Writer May 12, 2023

A Rocky Mount man already on the statewide online registry of convicted sex offenders was charged in Edgecombe County with felony third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, records at the courthouse in Tarboro said.

Taqwan Cox, 28, was accused of possession of material containing a visual representation of an unknown approximately 5-year-old to 8-year-old girl, the records said.

The visual representation of the girl shows her stripping herself to the point of nudity, showing her genitalia and touching herself, the records said.

State law specifies third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor as one knowing the character or content of the material in possessing material containing a visual representation of a minor engaging in sexual activity.

The Edgecombe County Sheriff's Office on May 5 obtained a warrant for the arrest of Cox and the warrant specified the offense occurred on Aug. 22, 2022, the judicial system records said.

Cox on Wednesday appeared before the Edgecombe County District Court, which appointed attorney Tia Taylor to represent him and ordered him to return to court on May 24, the records said.

Cox continued to remain in custody under a \$500,000 secured bond in the county detention center, the records said.

Additionally, the records said Cox is charged with having violated probation.

Cox had listed an address in the 400 block of Northeast Main Street, the records said.

State sex offender registry records said Cox was convicted in May 2022 in Washington County for second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and was placed on probation for five years.

State law specifies second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor as one knowing the character or content of the material in recording, photographing, filming, developing or duplicating material containing a visual representation of a minor engaged in sexual activity.

State law, in the alternative, also specifies second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor as one knowing the character or content of the material in distributing, transporting, exhibiting, receiving, selling, purchasing, exchanging or soliciting material containing a visual representation of a minor engaged in sexual activity.

Word of the arrest of Cox by the Edgecombe County Sheriff's Office began circulating via the Fighting Crime News and Who's Wanted Facebook page and the county sheriff's office's online link showing the identities of those booked into the county detention center.

https://www.rockymounttelegram.com/news/crime/convicted-sex-offender-faces-child-pornography-charge/article_013e8d49-06ba-5e27-aedf-012a7a1e7471.html

Tuscaloosa man arrested in child pornography case

By WBRC Staff

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TUSCALOOSA, Ala. (WBRC) - A Tuscaloosa man has been arrested by the West Alabama Human Trafficking Task Force after being accused of using social media sites to sell child pornography.

Thomas Katrell Conner, 23, was arrested Wednesday morning after officials executed a search warrant at his home. He is charged with dissemination of obscene material depicting persons under the age of 17 in obscene acts.

Connor is being held in the Tuscaloosa County Jail with a bond of \$30,000. https://www.wbrc.com/2023/05/31/tuscaloosa-man-arrested-child-pornography-case/

Johns Island man charged with sexual exploitation of a minor

By Patrick Phillips Published: Jun. 7, 2023 at 1:22 PM EDT|Updated: Jun. 7, 2023 at 5:29 PM EDT

CHARLESTON COUNTY, S.C. (WCSC) - Charleston County deputies have arrested a man they say had child pornographic material in a cellphone cloud account.

Thomas Gotshall, 68, of Johns Island, is charged with second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor, sheriff's spokesman Andrew Knapp said.

Investigators say they began their investigation after receiving a cyber tip through the South Carolina Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Court documents state a user of a Verizon cloud account distributed a video on Jan. 16 that depicted a young boy between 3 and 6 years old exposing himself to the camera. The video also showed a female performing a sex act on the child and, later in the same video, another female child approximately 10 to 13 years old is shown with the boy putting his hand in her pants, the affidavit states.

Investigators say they obtained a search warrant on the phone number listed on the cyber tip, which they traced to Gotshall.

He was booked into the Al Cannon Detention Center. A judge set bail at \$40,000 and he has since been released from jail.

https://www.live5news.com/2023/06/07/johns-island-man-charged-with-sexual-exploitation-minor/

Naples man arrested for possession of child pornography

Writer: Matias Abril Published: June 11, 2023Updated: June 11, 2023

A 23-year-old man from Naples accused of downloading child pornography was arrested Saturday.

According to the Collier County Sheriff's Office, Justin **Thomas Horton** was charged with two counts of possession of child pornography.

Currently, Horton is in custody.

https://winknews.com/2023/06/11/naples-man-arrested-for-possession-of-child-pornography/

Mechanicsville man arrested for child pornography

By NBC12 Newsroom

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HANOVER, Va. (WWBT) - A Mechanicsville man is in jail for child porn charges.

The Hanover County Sheriff's Office says they received a tip about possible possession of child pornography by an individual living in Hanover County.

After an investigation, **Thomas Ray Mickles**, 37, was arrested, and a search warrant was obtained and executed at his home.

After the search, Mickles was charged with eight counts of production of child pornography and two counts of possession of child pornography.

Mickles is currently being held at Pamunkey Regional Jail.

Anyone with more information is asked to call Crime Stoppers at 804-780-1000. https://www.nbc12.com/2023/07/13/mechanicsville-man-arrested-child-pornography/

Chippewa Falls man charged with possession of child pornography

A hard drive in the man's home was found to have multiple images of child pornography on it.

By WEAU 13 News

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CHIPPEWA FALLS, Wis. (WEAU) - A Chippewa Falls man is charged with two counts of possession of child pornography Tuesday.

According to online court records, 49-year-old **Timber Cesafsky** was charged Tuesday in Chippewa County Circuit Court.

In documents filed with the charges, Cefasky was found to have multiple child sexual abuse material images on a hard drive during a search of his home on Jan. 11. Investigators found at least two images depicting child pornography. When investigators began searching for material, Cefasky said that there would be images on his electronic devices. Cefasky told investigators that he didn't think the images were real and that he was not enticing anyone or deviant, but that he was curious. He said that he "got stuck down the rabbit hole" and was no longer curious.

Cefasky will appear in court on Feb. 15 for an initial appearance. He was released on Jan. 12 on a \$1,000 cash bond with conditions that he have no contact with children and is not to possess any devices that connect to the internet, according to online court records.

https://www.weau.com/2023/01/17/chippewa-falls-man-charged-with-possession-child-pornography/

Missouri Man Sentenced to 88 Months in Prison for Possessing Child Pornography

Tuesday, December 5, 2023 For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Missouri

CAPE GIRARDEAU – U.S. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh Jr. on Tuesday sentenced an Iron County, Missouri man to 88 months in prison for the possession of over 900 images containing child pornography.

Judge Limbaugh also ordered **Timon Odell Mouser**, 54, to be placed on supervised release for life after his release from prison.

In July of 2022, the FBI was assisting the Phelps County Sheriff's Department with a cyber tip received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about an IP address used to trade child sexual abuse material. They traced it to Mouser's home, and a search of his computer found over 900 images containing child pornography, including images of infants and toddlers and other prepubescent minor children.

Mouser pleaded guilty in U.S. District Court in Cape Girardeau in August to one count of possession of child pornography.

The FBI and the Phelps County Sheriff's Department investigated the case. Assistant U.S. Attorney Julie Hunter prosecuted the case.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the Department of Justice Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc. https://www.justice.gov/usao-edmo/pr/missouri-man-sentenced-88-months-prison-possessing-child-pornography

James Island man arrested on 3 child exploitation charges

By Pilar Briggs Updated: May. 17, 2023 at 6:40 PM EDT

CHARLESTON COUNTY, S.C. (WCSC) - Charleston County detectives say on Wednesday a James Island man was arrested on charges after possessing multiple pieces of child sexual abuse material.

Timothy Joseph Brinson, 43, is charged with one count of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and two counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

An affidavit states deputies started their investigation on Jan. 27 after receiving a tip from the South Carolina Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force about sexual exploitation of a minor.

On Jan. 6, a Microsoft user had distributed a picture that depicted a female child who was approximately four to six-years-old where she appeared to be performing a sex act on an adult male, an affidavit states.

Detectives say while conducting a search warrant at Brinson's home, detectives found a cell phone where it had the same picture that was referred to in the received tip.

On the phone there were also pictures of Brinson that were linked to his social media accounts and pictures of his driver's license, an affidavit states.

On May 8, detectives downloaded cell phones that were taken from Brinson's home during a search warrant, detectives say.

The download of the cell phone showed multiple files of "visual representations" of a minor engaging in sexual activity or appearing in state of sexually explicit nudity, an affidavit states.

Detectives say the file had a picture of a female child between ten to twelveyears-old with her bare chest exposed.

Detectives also found another file that had a picture of a female child, between ages six to eight-years-old, where she is with two adult males, and performing a

sex act on one and the other appearing to be sleeping next to the adult male, an affidavit states.

Brinson was being at Al Cannon Detention Center. His bond was set for \$150,000.

https://www.live5news.com/2023/05/17/james-island-man-arrested-3-child-exploitation-charges/

Leland man accused of possessing child porn

By WECT Staff Published: Feb. 16, 2023

LELAND, N.C. (WECT) - A Leland man is facing multiple charges related to possessing child pornography.

Timothy Allen Cramer, 28, was arrested Thursday and charged with one count of second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and three counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

According to the arrest warrant, the offenses took place on Nov. 23, 2022.

Cramer is being held under a \$50,000 secured bond. https://www.wect.com/2023/02/16/leland-man-accused-possessing-child-porn/

Newport News man pleads guilty to child porn charges

by: Jane Alvarez-Wertz

Posted: Jun 6, 2023 / 10:46 AM EDT

NEWPORT NEWS, Va. (WAVY) – A Newport News man pleaded guilty Monday to coercion and enticement of a child and distribution of child pornography. 40-year-old **Timothy Desain, Jr.** is scheduled to be sentenced on October 3.

The case dates back to October 2021. That's when the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received a tip regarding child sexual abuse material being distributed over social media. The tip made its way to the FBI, which conducted a search of Desain's home. Marijuana, scales Garda deposit bags and three firearms were recovered. Desain later admitted to embezzling around \$35,000 from Garda, a private security company.

The investigation also uncovered that Desain exploited a minor.

A federal judge will determine his sentence, which could range from a minimum of ten years in prison to a maximum sentence of life in prison.

https://www.wavy.com/news/local-news/newport-news/newport-news-man-pleads-guilty-to-child-porn-charges/

Lewiston man admits to child porn charge

Timothy Doyon faces up to 50 years in prison for sexual exploitation of a child and possessing child pornography.

Posted October 24, 2023

PORTLAND — A Lewiston man admitted Tuesday to having child pornography and exploiting a child sexually, both federal felonies.

Timothy Doyon, 28, appeared in U.S. District Court in handcuffs where he pleaded guilty to sexual exploitation of a child, a crime punishable by 25 to 50 years in prison.

He also pleaded guilty to possession of child pornography, which carries a minimum sentence of 10 years in prison and a maximum sentence of 20 years.

The penalties were enhanced because Doyon has a prior conviction for possessing child pornography.

On each count, he faces a fine of up to \$250,000 and supervised release after prison for five years to life. Doyon waived his right Tuesday to have the charges presented to a federal grand jury for indictment.

Investigators said in court papers that, on or about Jan. 11, Doyon used and employed a minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing a visual depiction of that conduct.

On or about May 5, Doyon had a memory card that included images of child pornography, according to court papers.

"At least one image of child pornography involved in the offense involved a prepubescent minor or a minor who had not attained 12 years of age," according to a charging document in court files.

On about July 21, 2016, Doyon was convicted of possession of sexually explicit material of a minor under 12 in Androscoggin County Superior Court, according to court records.

Doyon, who was arrested in August, is in federal custody, having waived his right to a hearing on his detention.

He may not withdraw his convictions, but may appeal if he is sentenced to more than 25 years in prison.

No sentencing date has been set. https://www.sunjournal.com/2023/10/24/lewiston-man-admits-to-child-porn-charge/

Midland man arrested on child pornography-related charges

By: Kevin Craft Jun 21, 2023 Updated Oct 6, 2023

MIDLAND, Mich. (WJRT) - The Michigan State Police announced that a Midland man has been arrested for child pornography-related crimes.

Timothy George Maxwell, 31, has been charged with one count of distributing child sexually abusive material and one count of possessing child sexually abusive material.

According to the Michigan State Police, Maxwell was arrested following an investigation in which digital evidence was seized from his home.

Maxwell was arraigned in the United States District Court, Eastern District of Michigan on June 7.

The Michigan State Police say that if you have information regarding possible child sexual exploitation, to report it to the CyberTipLine

https://www.abc12.com/news/crime/midland-man-arrested-on-child-pornography-related-charges/article_9677fb7c-1065-11ee-b8f1-d77b57192324.html

Child Pornography Cybertip Leads to Welch Man's Arrest

by John Tyson, The Welch News Editor on January 6, 2023

WELCH, W.Va. – A Welch man has been arrested for alleged possession of child pornography after a local State Police investigation.

According to a criminal complaint filed with the McDowell County Magistrate Court, a cyber tip was reported by Google concerning two images, one being an anime (Japanese animation) image of what appeared to be a young girl and the other featured a prepubescent girl engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

WV State Trooper R.L. Jones was assigned to the cyber tip on December 19th and traced the Google Account back to a local Internet Provider address said to be located in the City of Welch Water Company.

In the criminal complaint, Trooper Jones identified Welch resident **Timothy Morgan** as the suspect and on Tuesday, December 27th, Trooper Jones and Trooper K. M. Saddler executed a search warrant for Morgan's residence and seized several electronic devices before taking Morgan to the Welch Detachment for an interview.

During the interview, Trooper Jones said Morgan admitted to creating the account and that his reasoning was to 'keep his wife from finding out about his porn addiction.'

The criminal complaint concluded by saying Morgan has a four year old daughter around the age of the juvenile in the photo reported as child pornography but that it is still unconfirmed at this time if the juvenile is his daughter.

Trooper Jones said the image had not been flagged by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) but after interviewing Morgan, the photographs will be submitted to NCMEC as child pornography. https://www.welchnews.com/2023/01/06/child-pornography-cybertip-leads-to-welch-mans-arrest/

Omaha man arrested as part of child exploitation investigation

Updated: 5:04 PM CST Feb 17, 2023

OMAHA, Neb. —

A 57-year-old man was arrested Friday in Omaha as part of a child exploitation investigation, according to the Nebraska State Patrol.

Timothy Sousa was taken into custody for possession of child pornography and unlawful intrusion.

Investigators said a search warrant was performed at a residence in Omaha earlier this month.

The investigation is still ongoing.

https://www.ketv.com/article/omaha-man-arrested-child-exploitation-investigation/42961317

Lexington Men Arrested on Child Sexual Abuse Material* Charges

FEB 13, 2023

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(COLUMBIA, S.C.) - South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of **Timothy Jacob Sullivan**, 42, of Lexington, S.C., and Billy Bruce Price, 88, of Lexington, S.C., on four total charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors. Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators with the Lexington County Sheriff's Department made the arrests in these unrelated cases. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office, also a member of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with these investigations.

Investigators received a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which led them to both Sullivan and Price. Investigators state Sullivan and Price distributed files of child sexual abuse material.

Sullivan was arrested on February 6, 2023. He is charged with two counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

Price was arrested on February 9, 2023. He is charged with two counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

Both of these cases will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

^{*} Child sexual abuse material, or CSAM, is a more accurate reflection of the material involved in these heinous and abusive crimes. "Pornography" can imply the child was a consenting participant. Globally, the term child pornography is being replaced by CSAM for this reason. https://www.scag.gov/about-the-office/news/lexington-men-arrested-on-child-sexual-abuse-material-charges/

Sioux Falls Man Arrested for Alleged Possession of Thousands of Child Pornography Images

November 13, 2023 Travis Kriens

Timothy Thorburn, a 43-year-old Sioux Falls man and U.S. Air Force veteran, has been charged with three counts of possession of child pornography, with court records indicating the possession of "up to 17,000 images" depicting a "12-14-year-old" child.

Thorburn is currently held on a \$25,000 cash bond, subject to a no-contact order with individuals under 18.

If convicted, he could face up to 10 years in prison and a \$20,000 fine, along with mandatory registration as a sex offender.

Thorburn's next court appearance is scheduled for November 22 at the Minnehaha County Courthouse.

https://kornradio.com/latestnews/sioux-falls-man-arrested-for-alleged-possession-of-thousands-of-child-pornography-images/

Ormond Beach area sex offender arrested, charged with possessing child pornography

Timothy S. Young remains held at the Volusia County Branch Jail on \$250,000 bail until a first court appearance.

By Observer Staff 10:35 a.m. August 7, 2023

A 43-year-old registered sex offender was arrested Aug. 3 and charged with 20 counts of possessing child pornography and one charge of failing to register an online account by a registered sex offender.

A tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children led law enforcement officers to discover sexually explicit photos of children on suspect **Timothy S. Young's** electronic devices, according to the Volusia Sheriff's Office.

Deputies arrested Young at his home on Avenue I near Ormond Beach the afternoon of Aug. 3, a VSO press release stated.

Young had been previously convicted of possession of child pornography in 2018.

Young's arrest on Aug. 3 was a result of a three-month investigation.

VSO detectives helped the Florida Department of Law Enforcement investigate the tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Detectives searched Young's home July 21, taking electronic devices for forensic analysis by the FDLE Cybercrimes Task Force.

Detectives found sexually explicit photos depicting girls from under 6 to under 12 years old.

The investigation showed that Young had uploaded files containing suspected child pornography, according to the press release.

Anyone with information on this case is asked to contact the VSO Child Exploitation Unit at 386-323-3574.

https://www.observerlocalnews.com/news/2023/aug/07/ormond-beach-area-sex-offender-arrested-charged-with-possessing-child-porn/

Cardwell County man arrested on child pornography charges

By Marsha Heller

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CARDWELL COUNTY, Ky. (KFVS) - A Cardwell County man was arrested on charges related to child sexual abuse material on Monday, March 13.

According to Kentucky State Police, an undercover electronic investigation led to the arrest of 51-year-old **Tommy Hall**, of Princeton.

KSP investigators said Hall is suspected of sharing images of child sexual exploitation online.

Investigators searched a home in Princeton on Monday in connection with Hall and said electronic equipment was taken to a forensic lab for examination.

Hall was then arrested and booked into the Caldwell County Detention Center.

Hall is charged with seven counts of distribution of matter portraying a minor in a sexual performance under 12 years old and 20 counts of possession of matter portraying a minor in a sexual performance under 12 years old.

If convicted, Hall could be sentenced five to 10 years in prison.

KSP said their investigation is ongoing.

https://www.kfvs12.com/2023/03/14/cardwell-county-man-arrested-child-pornography-charges/

Columbus Woman Sentenced to Ten Years in Prison for Possessing Child Sexual Abuse Material

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Middle District of Georgia

COLUMBUS, Ga. –A Columbus, Georgia, resident who admitted to possessing photos and videos of children being sexual abused was sentenced to serve ten years in federal prison for her crime.

Townes Ward Borum, 38, of Columbus, Georgia, was sentenced to serve 120 months in prison to be followed by ten years of supervised release by U.S. District Judge Clay Land today after she previously pleaded guilty to one count of possession of child pornography. Borum will also have to register as a sex offender for life upon her release from prison. Borum is not eligible for parole.

"This case serves as a harsh reminder of the length child predators will go to meet their needs at the cost of innocent and trusting lives," said U.S. Attorney Peter D. Leary. "In collaboration with our law enforcement and community partners, we will seek justice on behalf of sexually exploited children and do everything within our power to hold predators accountable."

"People like Borum, who sexually exploit children for monetary gain, do serious lasting harm and facilitate in the continued manufacturing and trading of child sexual abuse material," said Rich Bilson, Supervisory Senior Resident Agent of FBI Atlanta's Columbus office. "The FBI is committed to working with our partners to find such predators and lock them up so they can do no further harm."

"This case shows how low predators will go to profit from innocent lives. Working with our law enforcement and prosecutorial partners, the GBI's Child Exploitation and Computer Crimes Unit remains committed to diligently investigating individuals who exploit our children," said GBI Director Chris Hosey.

According to facts presented at court, GBI was contacted by law enforcement in New Jersey on May 20, 2022, with information that an adult female in the Middle District of Georgia was distributing nude photos of a young child to a man in their jurisdiction. The initial Cybertip leading to the New Jersey man

came from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC), and a subsequent investigation found digital files of child sexual abuse material (CSAM) on the man's cell phone. The man told authorities that Borum was providing him with the CSAM material, and that they had been communicating on the Whisper app and by text message. The man said he paid Borum's rent and other expenses in exchange for sexually explicit photos and videos of young children.

A search warrant was executed by GBI at Borum's Columbus home on May 21, 2022. Borum's cell phone was seized; it contained hundreds of images and videos of CSAM, including images of CSAM depicting prepubescent minors. Her phone also contained numerous messages between Borum and others discussing the exchange of child sexual abuse material for money. Agents also found online advertisements she created and posted to sell child sexual abuse material. Borum admitted to the facts in court.

The plea agreement in this case is sealed at the request of the Government for protection of minor victims.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse, launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by the U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the DOJ's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.

The case was investigated by GBI, FBI-Atlanta, FBI-Dallas and FBI-Los Angeles, with special assistance from the Bergen County, New Jersey, District Attorney's Office and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Crawford Seals is prosecuting the case for the Government.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-mdga/pr/columbus-woman-sentenced-ten-years-prison-possessing-child-sexual-abuse-material #: \$\$ ``text=Sexual % 20 Abuse % 20 Material-

,Columbus%20Woman%20Sentenced%20to%20Ten%20Years%20in,Possessing%20Child%20Sexual%20Abuse%20Material&text=COLUMBUS%2C%20Ga.,federal%20prison%20for%20her%20crime.

14 people arrested on various charges in Benton and Washington counties

by NWA Democrat-Gazette | April 18, 2023 at 1:00 a.m.

Arrests

Benton County Sheriff's Office

Kelleye Kirkland, 35, of 12000 W. Coose Hollow Road in Rogers, was arrested Saturday in connection with battery. Kirkland was being held Monday in the Benton County Jail with no bond set.

Fayetteville

Chance Morgan, 33, of 4186 W. Coolidge Place in Fayetteville, was arrested Friday in connection with domestic battering. Morgan was being held Monday in the Washington County Detention Center on \$5,000 bond.

Joshua Nesbitt, 28, of 2415 S. Gregg Ave. in Fayetteville, was arrested Saturday in connection with possession of drugs with intent to deliver and simultaneous possession of drugs and firearm. Nesbitt was released Sunday from the Washington County Detention Center on \$1,500 bond.

Jaylon Powell, 19, of 265 W. South Carolina St. in Marianna, was arrested Sunday in connection with aggravated assault on a family or household member. Powell was being held Monday in the Washington County Detention Center on \$2,500 bond.

Prairie Grove

Carl Beutelschies, 84, of 306 Hindman Drive in Prairie Grove, was arrested Friday in connection with rape/forcible fondling. Beutelschies was released Saturday from the Washington County Detention Center on \$25,000 bond.

Rogers

William Robinson, 48, of 1323 Forest Drive in Rogers, was arrested Sunday in connection with aggravated assault on a family or household member. Robinson was being held Monday in the Benton County Jail with no bond set.

Springdale

Jeremy Horton, 42, of 101 Locust Ave. in Fayetteville, was arrested Saturday in connection with forgery. Horton was released Saturday from the Washington County Detention Center on \$1,500 bond.

Francisco Lopez, 20, of 127 Pierce Ave. No. 203, in Springdale, was arrested Saturday in connection with aggravated assault. Lopez was being held Monday in the Washington County Detention Center on \$7,500 bond.

Tontitown

Joshua Love, 40, of 1320 Cato Road in Fayetteville, was arrested Friday in connection with aggravated assault. Love was being held Monday in the Washington County Detention Center on \$5,000 bond.

Washington County Sheriff's Office

Christopher Nagy, 51, of 15300 Northview Road in Elkins, was arrested Friday in connection with domestic battering and false imprisonment. Nagy was being held Monday in the Washington County Detention Center on \$25,000 bond.

Malcom Hendrix, 44, of 723 Madison County 7615 in Huntsville, was arrested Friday in connection with forgery. Hendrix was released Saturday from the Washington County Detention Center on \$1,500 bond.

Richard Carrasquillo, 44, of 2450 Parsons Road in Springdale, was arrested Saturday in connection with aggravated robbery. Carrasquillo was being held Monday in the Washington County Detention Center on \$25,000 bond.

Ethan Brasel, 20, of Springdale, was arrested Sunday in connection with aggravated assault. Brasel was being held Monday in the Washington County Detention Center on \$25,000 bond.

Trace Daniels, 25, of 19347 Briarfield Road in Elkins, was arrested Monday in connection with distributing, possessing or viewing child pornography. Daniels was released Monday from the Washington County Detention Center on \$25,000 bond.

https://www.arkansasonline.com/news/2023/apr/18/14-people-arrested-on-various-charges-in-benton/

State troopers arrest Morgan County man for possessing child sex abuse material

by: Jacob Burbrink

Posted: Jan 31, 2023 / 04:20 PM EST

MORGAN COUNTY, Ind. — A Morgan County man faces charges after state police say he sent an undercover officer child sex abuse material.

The Indiana State Police said the investigation began in June when an undercover Ohio police officer got child sex abuse material from a person through social media. The account was linked to 22-year-old **Travers Sciscoe** of Martinsville.

Detectives with the Indiana State Police were able to find Sciscoe at his workplace and interviewed him. During the interview, state police say forensic examiners were able to locate child sex abuse material on his phone.

Sciscoe was being held Tuesday in the Morgan County Jail on a charge of possession of child pornography.

Anyone with information related to crimes against children is encouraged to contact their local law enforcement agency or visit the NCMEC website and find the link to make a CYBERTIPLINE report.

https://fox59.com/news/indycrime/state-troopers-arrest-morgan-county-man-for-possessing-child-sex-abuse-material/

Jamestown man faces child porn charges

Posted Saturday, June 3, 2023 1:15 am

Journal Review

The Boone County Child Abuse and Sexual Exploitation Task Force received a CyberTipLine

Report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children by the Indiana State Police. Upon initial investigation, it was found that **Travis Long** of Jamestown was in possession of child sexual abuse material.

On Thursday, C.A.S.E. Task Force along with assisting law enforcement agencies served a search warrant on Long's residence in Jamestown. At the completion of the investigation, Long was arrested and booked into the Boone County Jail pending charges of three counts of child exploitation a level 4 felony and five counts of possession of child pornography a level 5 felony.

Agencies assisting included: Boone County Prosecutor's Office, Boone County Sheriff's Office, Whitestown Police Department, Zionsville Police Department, Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, Crawfordsville Police Department, Frankfort Police Department, Avon Police Department and Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department.

https://www.journalreview.com/stories/jamestown-man-faces-child-porn-charges,257136

DEPUTIES: Craven County sex offender arrested for having and sharing child porn

By WITN Web Team

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CRAVEN COUNTY, N.C. (WITN) - Law enforcement here in the east says they arrested a known sex offender for having and sharing files containing child pornography.

The Craven County Sheriff's Office says **Travis Meeker** was arrested and charged with felony second-degree sexual exploitation of a minor and felony third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor last Friday.

He was caught with multiple child porn files, as well as, caught distributing the files, according to officials.

The agency says the county's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) arrested the 32-year-old New Bern native after the sheriff's office got a cyber tip.

Meeker is a registered sex offender for a 2014 conviction of a second-degree sex offense with a child. At the time of the offense, the victim was 10 and Meeker was 22-years-old.

Meeker is in the Craven County jail under a \$150,000.00 bond. https://www.witn.com/2023/06/12/craven-county-sex-offender-arrested-having-sharing-child-porn/

Southern Ohio Man Arrested for Over 300 Files of Child Pornography, Posts Bail

By Jeremy Newman - 05/11/2023

Against Children) in reference to a Google account that was used to download several files of child sexual abuse material, or child pornography. Information provided by the ICAC Task Force indicated that the suspect was **Travis J. Minzler**, Age 33, and resided in Blanchester.

A search warrant was prepared and executed for the suspect's Google account, which revealed more child pornography files. On November 3, 2022, a search warrant was executed at Minzler's residence, located in Blanchester, where several electronic devices were seized, as evidence. Search warrants were secured for all of the seized devices, and taken to the Ohio State Highway Patrol Cyber Crimes Unit for analysis. Upon completion of the analysis, the electronic device in Minzler's possession at the time of the warrant contained over 300 files of child pornography.

After the investigation by the Blanchester Police, the case was forwarded to the Clinton County Prosecutor's Office and later presented to the Grand Jury. An indictment was returned by the Grand Jury containing forty (40) felony counts of Pandering Obscenity Involving a Minor.

On May 8, 2023, Minzier was arrested by the Blanchester Police Detective and transported to the Clinton County jail. Minzler was arraigned the following morning and has since posted bond to be released out of jail.

https://www.sciotopost.com/southern-ohio-man-arrested-for-over-300-files-of-child-pornography-posts-bail/

Hopkinsville Man Facing Child Porn Charges

October 18, 2023 News Edge Newsroom News Edge

A Hopkinsville man was charged with possession of child pornography after an investigation Tuesday morning.

Hopkinsville Police say 33-year-old **Travis Williams** was found in possession of seven images portraying a sexual performance by a minor. He was arrested and charged with seven counts of possession of matter portraying a sexual performance by a minor.

https://www.wkdzradio.com/2023/10/18/hopkinsville-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography/news-edge/

ELK CITY MAN ACCUSED OF POSSESSING CHILD PORN

February 22, 2023 Featured Slider, News By News Director Jared Atha

An Elk City man was arrested and charged last week after one of his social media accounts was allegedly found to be containing child pornography.

According to a probable cause affidavit filed by the Elk City Police Department, a detective received a cybertip report on January 6 from the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force regarding a social media account held by 26-year-old **Trevor Anthony Schortemeier**.

The affidavit stated that upon reviewing the report, 14 files were discovered to be uploaded from the social media site between December 2 and December 3.

The files were allegedly shared with another user or group of users.

After obtaining a search warrant, authorities were able to determine the geolocation of the device used as coming from a home in the 500 block of Wainwright Circle in Elk City. The report also stated that when the social media site returned the users contents, it included the original videos and images reported by the Internet Crime Against Children cybertip.

Additional photos returned were of the defendant.

During an interview with Schortemeier, he admitted to joining a group on the social media site for exchange of adult pornography, but stated that instead he was sent child porn. He would tell authorities that he continued to view the content sent to him for four to five months before deleting the images last month.

Bond for Schortemeier was set at \$50,000.

A court date is pending.

https://www.kool94.com/featured-slider/elk-city-man-accused-of-possessing-child-porn-2/

Four arrested for inappropriate contact with children: why the FBI was in Parkersburg

By Laura Bowen

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PARKERSBURG, <u>W.Va</u>. (WTAP) - You've probably heard rumors of the FBI being in the area last week. Well local law enforcement addressed the situation publicly Wednesday.

A disclaimer that all charges are alleged and suspects are innocent until proven guilty.

It was revealed at a press conference that four people were arrested for inappropriate contact with who they believed were minors. Those minors were actually undercover agents pretending to be kids.

Now all four suspects are being charged with soliciting a minor via a computer.

It was an FBI operation multiple local agencies helped with.

Within days, all four suspects were arrested at the spots where they were going to meet up with the minor.

Lieutenant Mike Stalnaker, a leader of Parkersburg Police's investigative unit, said, "You had a weekend where it was pouring snow down, it was cold, the roads were horrible, and we still got four people who traveled...,"

One suspect - Jeffrey Ward Junior - traveled hours.

"He engaged in conversations of sexual nature also sending photographs of his genitalia to a person he believed to be a 14 year old," Stalnaker said.

Ward is also already a convicted sex offender. And he wasn't the only one who sent footage of his genitalia to who he thought was a minor.

So did Jamie Todd Holbert.

"He sent a video of his genitalia to the 15 year old along with a picture of his face," Stalnaker said.

Elijah Gage Compton and **Tristan Cumberledge** were the other two arrested.

Stalnaker said, "Cumberledge further went onto make statements to the 14 year old as to wanting to have oral sex with the 14 year old and that he had basically been wanting to do this or meet up with an underage girl for quite some time."

The arrests of these four men isn't the end of this story. Officials say there will probably be more charges as well as warrants carried out.

Trooper J. Demeyer of West Virginia State Police's Internet Crimes Against Children Unit said, "Through the United States this is very common. This is two nights - three nights. Unfortunately that's the world we live in and kids need to be very careful on the internet. It's not safe. Parents need to be aware of what their children are doing."

Three of the suspects posted bond and one is being held at North Central Regional Jail.

Preliminary hearings will be next.

https://www.wtap.com/2022/02/10/four-arrested-inappropriate-contact-with-children-why-fbi-was-parkersburg/

Arkansas man arrested on child pornography charges

by Cory Evans Tue, October 3rd 2023

LITTLE ROCK (KATV) — The Arkansas Attorney General's Office announced the arrest of a North Little Rock man on Tuesday on child pornography charges.

A news release from the office stated that **Troy Moseley III**, 24, was charged with 30 counts of distributing, possessing, or viewing matter depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child on Monday.

Arkansas AG Tim Griffin stated that his office worked closely with the North Little Rock Police Department, the U.S. Marshals Service, and the Pulaski County Sheriff's Office to arrest Moseley.

"Special agents in my office's Special Investigations Division made another arrest this week, charging Troy Moseley III of North Little Rock with 30 counts of distributing, possessing, or viewing of matter depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a child. My office worked closely with the North Little Rock Police Department, the U.S. Marshals Service, and the Pulaski County Sheriff's Office to take him off the streets," Griffin said. "I am grateful to the special agents in my office who led this investigation, as well as to our partner agencies for their invaluable support. This sort of despicable victimization of children will not be tolerated."

The release stated that Moseley was booked Monday into the Pulaski County Regional Detention Facility, where he is currently being held without bond. https://katv.com/news/local/arkansas-man-arrested-on-child-porn-charges-attorney-general-tim-griffin-north-little-rock-police-department-the-us-marshals-service-and-the-pulaski-county-sheriffs-office-law-enforcement-officers-authorities-deputies-detention-facility-pornography-crime

Astor Man Arrested After Search Warrant Reveals Child Pornography, Graphic Materials

Date Added: April 24, 2023 1:46 pm

Andrew Gant

Office of Public Affairs & Media Relations

A Volusia County man has been arrested on more than 2 dozen child pornography charges after a search warrant revealed graphic files on his phone and USB device.

Troy L. Sautbine, 50 (DOB 1/12/1973), of Camp South Moon Road in Astor, was arrested Friday on 25 counts of possession of a sexual performance by a child and remains in custody today on \$625,000 bond.

His arrest followed a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, which alerted detectives to a file uploaded to a social media account later determined to be Sautbine's. After obtaining a search warrant for the account, detectives discovered multiple photos of women, teenage girls and young children. Also discovered were multiple comments from Sautbine's social media account describing his attraction to children and desire to sexually abuse them.

In executing a search warrant, detectives discovered 25 video files depicting sexual abuse of girls estimated to range from the age of a baby or toddler to 10 years old. Detectives also recovered Word documents stored on Sautbine's phone containing short stories describing sexual abuse of children, cannibalism and other acts of violence.

Sautbine was asked about the graphic written content and indicated he was participating in a role-playing fantasy.

At this point in the investigation, the VSO Child Exploitation Unit has not identified any victims of abuse. It appears the files in Sautbine's possession were downloaded, not produced locally. Anyone with information about this or any other case involving sexual abuse of children is asked to contact the Child Exploitation Unit at 386-323-3574.

https://www.volusiasher iff.gov/news/volusia-county-sher iff/astor-man-arrested-after-search-warrant-reveals-child-pornography-graphic-materials.stml

Man arrested in Taylorville for possession of child pornography

Aug 25, 2023 Updated Oct 25, 2023

TAYLORVILLE, III. (WAND) — The Taylorville Police Department arrested a man on Friday for possession of child pornography.

Troy J. Woods of Taylorville, 43, was arrested after an investigation that led to a search warrant. Evidence was seized when Woods was arrested and he was charged with possession of child pornography, a class X felony that carries a sentence of 6-30 years in prison.

All individuals are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. https://www.wandtv.com/news/man-arrested-in-taylorville-for-possession-of-child-pornography/article_edbaa2ce-43a3-11ee-95bd-fbb71b0192cb.html

MUSKOGEE MAN ARRESTED, ACCUSED OF UPLOADING CHILD SEX ABUSE ONLINE

Friday, March 10th 2023, 9:29 pm By: News On 6

MUSKOGEE, Okla. -

A Muskogee man faces several felony charges after the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation said he was uploading child sexual abuse online.

The OSBI arrested **Tyler Fries** on Wednesday after agents said they received a tip about child pornography being uploaded to a Google account.

Fries was then taken to the <u>Muskogee County</u> jail. https://www.newson6.com/story/640bf5be9622887e34cf2e42/muskogee-man-arrested-accused-of-uploading-child-sex-abuse-online

Fairhope man arrested on child porn possession

by: Pat O'Donnell

Posted: Oct 11, 2023 / 06:55 PM CDT

FAIRHOPE, Ala. (WKRG) — A Fairhope man was arrested Tuesday for allegedly possessing child pornography, according to the Fairhope Police Department.

Tyler Lay, 32, was arrested after a five-month investigation, which began with a CyberTip that the National Center for Exploited and Missing Children received, according to an FPD news release.

The center passed the tip to the Alabama Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, and Fairhope Investigator Brittney Jackson was assigned the case.

"With this task force, we are not taking things lightly," Jackson said. "The tips we receive are thoroughly investigated and prosecuted if evidence deems it."

FPD credited the Baldwin County Sheriff's Office for its efforts in extracting and analyzing data from Lay's phone, according to their news release.

The investigation is ongoing. WKRG has reached out to the Fairhope Police Department and will update this story as more information becomes available.

https://www.wkrg.com/baldwin-county/fairhope-man-arrested-tuesday-on-child-porn-charges/#:~:text=Tyler%20Lay%2C%2032%2C%20was%20arrested,to%20an%20FPD%20news%20release

Duryea man faces child pornography charges

October 29, 2023

PITTSTON – A Duryea man who admitted to using a VPN to access the dark web to view images of child sex abuse materials was arrested Friday by Luzerne County Detectives on more than 100 counts of sexual abuse of children, according to court records.

Tyler Rosko, 31, of Meyers Street, was arraigned in front of Magisterial District Judge Brain Tupper on 100 counts of child pornography, one count of disseminating images and video of children engaged in sex act, and one count of criminal use of a communication device.

Rosko was released after posting \$50,000 bail.

According to the criminal complaint:

Detectives received a CyberTip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children on Oct. 10 that a suspected image of child sex abuse material was uploaded to Verizon's cloud service by a cellular phone number assigned to Rosko.

The image depicted a pre-pubescent white female completely naked in what appears to be a wooded area. In the top left-hand corner of the image was the web address for a former Ukrainian modeling studio producing soft core child pornography.

Investigators served Rosko at his residence with a search warrant for his mobile phone on Oct. 27., when Rosko admitted to using the "dark web" and a VPN to download images and videos depicting child sex abuse materials and that he keeps them in a hidden folder on his mobile phone.

After detectives examined Rosko's phone, they located the image contained in the CyberTip, as well as 100s of other images and videos of child sex abuse materials in Rosko's hidden folder, which was labeled "Dark."

Rosko said he's been viewing these images for three years and that he was part of a chat group that would send links to child pornography to view and download.

Rosko told investigators that he knows what he does is wrong, stating, "I do not want to do it, but I do it."

A preliminary hearing is set for Nov. 7 at 9:15 a.m. in Luzerne County Central Court.

https://www.timesleader.com/news/1625587/duryea-man-faces-child-pornography-charges

Police: Albany man had child pornography

By WNYT

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An Albany man is accused of possessing child pornography.

Tyler J. Smith, 26, was arrested after a search of his home found images consistent with child exploitation, State Police said.

The investigation stemmed from a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Smith was charged with promoting a sexual performance by a child and possessing a sexual performance by a child. He was issued an appearance ticket and is due in Albany City Court on Nov. 16.

https://wnyt.com/top-stories/police-albany-man-had-child-pornography/

St. Ignace Man Arrested for Sexually Abusive Material of Children

Site Staff 04/03/2023 11:33 AM EDT

Michigan State Police say an 18-year-old St. Ignace man was arrested for digital child pornography.

They say **Tyrel Lee Matson** was arrested after a tip led troopers to a search of his home, where they found evidence on his computer.

Matson is charged with one count of child sexually abusive material-aggravated possession, four counts of child sexually abusive material-possession, and five counts of using a computer to commit a crime. Matson was arraigned on Friday and released on bond.

He faces up to 10 years in prison for the child sexually abusive material-aggravated possession, four years for child sexually abusive material, and 10 years for using a computer to commit a crime.

https://www.9and10news.com/2023/04/03/st-ignace-man-arrested-for-sexually-abusive-material-of-children/

CLIFFSIDE PARK, NJ MAN CHARGED WITH POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

For Immediate Release: April 26, 2023

Bergen County Prosecutor Mark Musella announced the arrest of VALTER M. GARCIA CORDOVA (DOB: 2/25/1984; married; construction worker) of 509 Longview Avenue, Cliffside Park, NJ on a charge of possession of child sexual abuse material. The arrest is the result of an investigation conducted by the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office under the direction of Chief Jason Love.

On Wednesday, April 26, 2023, members of the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office Cyber Crimes Unit executed a search warrant at the residence of **VALTER GARCIA CORDOVA** during the course of a months-long Internet child sexual abuse material investigation. The investigation revealed that GARCIA CORDOVA used the Internet to view, download and possess items depicting nude and/or sexually explicit prepubescent and pubescent children.

As a result of the investigation, VALTER GARCIA CORDOVA was arrested on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, in Paramus, NJ and charged with second-degree possession of child pornography, N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(b)(ii). GARCIA CORDOVA was remanded to the Bergen County Jail pending a first appearance in Central Judicial Processing Court in Hackensack.

Prosecutor Musella states that the charge is merely an accusation, and that the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. Prosecutor Musella thanks the Cliffside Park Police Department for their assistance, as well as the Bergen County Sheriff's Office, along with the Paramus, Washington Township and Lyndhurst Police Departments which participate in the Bergen County Cyber Crimes Task Force. https://www.bcpo.net/cliffside-park-nj-man-charged-with-possession-of-child-pornography/

Ventura County Sheriff's Office Reports Man Arrested for Possession, Production and Distribution of Child Pornography

Last Updated: Wednesday, 18 October 2023 15:15

October 18, 2023 - Ventura County Sheriff's Office officials report that acting on information from a CyberTip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NECMEC) and prior information related to a sexual assault investigation, detectives identified **Vicente Jasso Jr.** as a suspect in a child pornography case. Jasso is a resident of the unincorporated area of Oxnard, known as El Rio.

During the investigation, detectives determined Jasso created a false persona, "Daniel Trabremoh." Jasso used the persona to interact with young females on social media sites. It is believed Jasso created the Daniel Trabremoh persona to "catfish" unknowing young females and solicit them into doing explicit things on videos or images for his sexual pleasure. Jasso recorded these encounters without their knowledge or consent, creating Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM).

The term catfish is defined by the Merriam-Webster Dictionary as, "A person who sets up a false personal profile on a social networking site for fraudulent or deceptive purposes."

On October 17, 2023, Jasso was contacted at his residence and arrested for multiple charges related to this case. Jasso was subsequently booked into the Ventura County Pre-Trial Detention Facility and is currently being held on \$150,000 bail pending his arraignment. This investigation is ongoing.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office believes there could be additional victims. If you have any information regarding Vicente Jasso Jr or "Daniel Trabremoh," please contact Detective Rosalio Cobian of the Sheriff's Major Crimes Unit at 805-384-4723.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) serves as an information clearinghouse and national resource center on issues related to victims, missing and exploited children and operates a national toll-free hotline. NCMEC works with families, victims, private industry, law enforcement, and the public to assist with preventing child abductions, recovering missing children, and providing services to deter and combat child sexual exploitation.

The Los Angeles ICAC Task Force is spearheaded by the LAPD with 63 federal and local affiliate agencies that detect and investigate child predators that use

the internet as a means to contact children or deal in child pornography. The ICAC Program helps state and local law enforcement agencies develop an effective response to technology-facilitated child sexual exploitation and Internet crimes against children.

Supervised by the Ventura County District Attorney's Office, the High-Tech Task Force is made up of investigators from the District Attorney's Office, deputies from the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, and civilian computer forensic examiners. The unit provides highly technical computer forensic support for law enforcement agencies which includes assisting in preserving electronic evidence in the field and performing forensic examinations of digital evidence in a lab environment.

The Ventura County Sheriff's Office would like to remind parents to remain vigilant as to their children's social media and Internet activities to keep them safe from predators and that there are resources that can assist them in keeping their children safe by teaching them about internet safety. The best tool we have to prevent Internet crimes against children is education.

The Los Angeles Regional Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force offers information and resources to parents, educators and child serving professionals to help everyone #StartTheConversation about technology safety. Please go to https://www.icactaskforce.org for further information.

https://goldrushcam.com/sierrasuntimes/index.php/news/california/50629-ventura-county-sheriff-s-office-reports-man-arrested-for-possession-production-and-distribution-of-child-pornography

Salisbury man arrested after deputies find child pornography in Dropbox account

Published 12:05 am Tuesday, October 24, 2023 By Robert Sullivan

SALISBURY — A Salisbury man was arrested on Thursday after police reportedly found child pornography on a Dropbox account he operated. **Victor Canaan Emery Kyles**, 29, was charged with 26 counts of third-degree sexual exploitation of a minor. According to a spokesperson for the Rowan County Sheriff's Office, the office was notified in April of 2021 that the National Center for Missing and Exploited Childrens had concerns of child sexual abuse material being uploaded in a residence in Salisbury. The residence was located on Ladino Lane.

Police investigated the tip, identified Kyles as the resident and reportedly obtained records that indicated he was the one uploading the pornography. According to police records, Kyles was arrested around 5 p.m. at the 300 block North Main Street in Granite Quarry. Kyles was placed in the Rowan County Detention Center under a \$1 million secured bond. His first court appearance was on Oct. 20.

https://www.salisburypost.com/2023/10/24/salisbury-man-arrested-after-deputies-find-child-pornography-indropbox-account/

Cottonwood Falls man pleads guilty to child sex crimes in federal court

By Sarah Motter

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EMPORIA, Kan. (WIBW) - A Cottonwood Falls man has pleaded guilty to child sex crimes in federal court and now faces up to 20 years in prison.

KVOE reports that on Tuesday, June 13, **Walter Haskin**, of Cottonwood Falls, pleaded guilty to attempted distribution of child pornography. He was originally charged with both attempted distribution of child pornography and possession of child pornography.

Federal prosecutors had accused Haskin of possessing and distributing sexual abuse materials that showed sexual situations that involved children under the age of 10.

Haskin will now face between 5 and 20 years in federal prison as well as a fine of up to \$250,000, more than \$40,000 in other assessments and restitution or property forfeiture. A sentencing date has not yet been set.

https://www.wibw.com/2023/06/13/cottonwood-falls-man-pleads-guilty-child-sex-crimes-federal-court/

70-year-old South Carolina man charged with sexual exploitation of minors for the 2nd time, AG says

Updated: 11:17 PM EDT Jun 20, 2023

Stephanie Moore

Digital Media Manager

GREENVILLE, S.C. —

A 70-year-old Greenville, South Carolina, man is facing 10 charges connected to the sexual exploitation of minors, according to South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson.

Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force investigators with the Greenville Police Department arrested **Walter Stokes Hunter** on Thursday.

Investigators with the Attorney General's Office, also a member of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with the investigation.

More news (Story continues after links)

Investigators said they got a CyberTipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, which led them to Hunter.

Investigators said Hunter possessed files of child sexual abuse material.

Hunter is charged with 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor third degree, a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment on each count.

Hunter was previously convicted on related charges in 2013, Wilson said.

This case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office. https://www.wyff4.com/article/south-carolina-70-year-old-child-sex-abuse-material-charges/44269954

Wythe County man charged with possessing child porn

From staff reports Jul 6, 2023

An Austinville man was arrested on Thursday and charged with 20 counts of possessing child pornography after police executed a search warrant at his residence.

Wesley Andrew Whittington, 33, is being held without bond on the felony charges.

According to Wythe County Sheriff's Office Chief Deputy Anthony Cline, tactical team members searched Whittington's 1399 Lead Mines Road residence at 5 a.m. on Thursday. The ongoing investigation was a joint effort of the Sheriff's Office and the Southern Virginia Internet Crimes against Children Task Force.

Cline said the examination of evidence collected on Thursday could lead to additional charges.

"The Wythe County Sheriff's Office and the Southern Virginia Internet Crimes against Children Task Force will continue to aggressively seek those individuals possessing child pornography," he said.

Whittington is being held without bond in the New River Valley Regional Jail.

A Wytheville man is awaiting trial on three felonies stemming from a June 29 police search related to a June 25 shooting at a Barren Springs party.

Tyler Michael Jones, 18, was charged with being a felon in possession of ammunition, possessing with the intent to distribute less than five pounds of marijuana and possessing cocaine with the intent to distribute.

According to Cline, tactical team officers collected ammunition and cocaine while executing a search warrant at 840 South First St. in Wytheville related to the shooting.

Cline said a man was shot four times at the June 25 field party along Castleton Road and is in stable condition at an area hospital.

He said investigators also collected evidence at the scene and more charges are likely in the case.

Being held without bond, Jones has a preliminary hearing set for Sept. 21 in Wythe County General District Court.

https://swvatoday.com/news/article_e229ed0e-1c3c-11ee-9aac-931929fccad5.html

Man indicted on child molestation charges

Billy Hobbs Aug 6, 2023

EDITOR'S NOTE: An indictment is an allegation of criminal conduct. All defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty in a court of law beyond reasonable doubt.

A multi-count indictment was recently returned by a Baldwin County grand jury against a local man on child molestation charges and other crimes.

William Mose Buckland, also known as Bill Buckland, was indicted July 10 on two counts of child molestation, and six counts of sexual exploitation of children, according to records filed in the Baldwin County Superior Court Clerk's Office.

The eight-count indictment accused the defendant of committing an immoral and indecent act with a child under the age of 16 between March 2022 and April 2023.

Grand jurors also accuse Buckland of unlawfully and knowingly distributing and exhibiting digital images and video that depict a child engaging in sexual acts, according to the indictment.

The case was investigated by Baldwin County Sheriff's Office Detective Robert J. "Bob" Butch.

A number of other defendants also were indicted on assorted criminal charges by the grand jury. They included:

- Hakeem Metez Evans, one count of kidnapping, aggravated assault under the Georgia Family Violence Act, and cruelty to children in the third degree.
- Kelton Demarcus Jones and Airah Michelle Fucuals, were jointly indicted by grand jurors on criminal charges. Jones was indicted on criminal damage to property in the second degree, and disorderly conduct. Fucuals was indicted on charges of battery, and tampering with evidence.

- Austin Dean Trease and Allen Brady McKee were jointly indicted. Trease
 was indicted on the following charges: entering an automobile, Violation
 of the Georgia Controlled Substances Act (VGCSA) for trafficking in
 methamphetamine, making a false statement, two counts of theft by
 receiving stolen property, two counts of fleeing or attempting to elude a
 police officer, reckless driving, driving without a license, driving without a
 license, VGCSA for possession of methamphetamine, and possession of a
 firearm by a convicted felon. McKee was indicted on a charge of entering
 an automobile.
- Adrian Demone Baker, and Hannah Marie Blizard were jointly indicted on charges of VGCSA for trafficking methamphetamine or amphetamine, possession of drug related objects, and hindering apprehension or punishment of a criminal.
- Juan Carlos Guerra and Linda Valdivia were jointly indicted on a charge of VGCSA for trafficking methamphetamine or amphetamine.
- Derron Dequare Cullins, VGCSA for possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, and possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony.
- William Victor Feutral, VGCSA for possession of methamphetamine, and obstruction of a law enforcement officer.
- Lontrelle Dontha Hall, VGCSA for possession of marijuana more than an ounce, and driving while license suspended.
- Anthony Phillip Toskes, criminal damage to property in the second degree, and possession of drug related objects.
- Ke'Amber Shakeithia Simmons and Nathan Cornelius Vasser II, jointly indicted on charge of cruelty to children in the first degree.
- Javoris Jamell Redding, aggravated stalking.
- James Edward Cheely, terroristic threats, and battery under the Georgia Family Violence Act.
- John Andrew Adams, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.
- Jalen Antonio Thomas, battery under the Georgia Family Violence Act, and two counts of cruelty to children in the third degree.
- Patrick Leonard Burson, terroristic threats.
- Latasha Yvette White, criminal damage to property in the second degree, and battery.
- Shirley Nicole Lavender, terroristic threats.
- Brennen Allen Deloach and Connor Lee Mashburn were jointly indicted.
 Deloach was indicted on a charge of theft by taking, while Mashburn was
 indicted on theft by taking and criminal damage to property in the second
 degree.

https://www.unionrecorder.com/news/man-indicted-on-child-molestation-charges/article_8cdbb3d8-34be-11ee-a92h-

8fc63426ea89.html#:~:text=William%20Mose%20Buckland%2C%20also%20known,County%20Superior%20Court%20Clerk's%20Office

LITIGATION RELEASES

William J. Burke

The Commission announced today that on October 30, 2003, a Massachusetts federal judge sentenced William J. Burke, the former chief financial officer of Interspeed, Inc., to three years probation and a \$10,000 fine in connection with criminal charges filed against him by the U.S. Attorney for the District of Massachusetts arising from a fraudulent reporting scheme. Burke pleaded guilty on June 25, 2003 to one count of falsification of Interspeed's books and records. During his plea hearing, he admitted concealing information from the company's auditors and structuring a product payment in a way that falsely described the payment's origin. The Honorable George A. O'Toole, Jr., United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, ordered that Burke serve the first six months of his probation in community confinement.

The Commission previously filed a related civil injunctive action against Burke and two other former officers of Interspeed, Inc., alleging that they caused Interspeed to engage in a nine million dollar fraud that inflated reported sales between 25% and 93% from January to September 2000. The Commission's litigation is ongoing. In that action, the Commission seeks, among other things, an order permanently barring Burke from acting as officer or director of any public company.

For further information see Litigation Release Nos. 17758 and 18180. https://www.sec.gov/litigation/litreleases/lr-18468

Story County Man Sentenced for Possession of Child Pornography

Thursday, February 23, 2023

For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Southern District of Iowa

Des Moines, IA – A Nevada, Iowa man was sentenced today to 121 months in prison following his guilty plea for possession of child pornography.

According to court documents, on or about December 21, 2021, William Ryan Buttermore, age 24, knowingly possessed visual depictions of child pornography, including 44 images and four videos, some of which depicted infants and other minors younger than 12 years old. Buttermore downloaded the material from the internet. In addition, Buttermore used an account on Kik Messenger to transport child pornography to others and to encourage others to produce child pornography and engage in sex acts with children. Following his prison term, Buttermore must also serve a ten-year term of supervised release. There is no parole in the federal system.

United States Attorney Richard D. Westphal of the Southern District of Iowa made the announcement. The Story County Sheriff's Department, in conjunction with the Iowa Crimes Against Children Task Force, investigated the case. Assistant United States Attorney Kyle Essley prosecuted the case.

The case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood. In 2006, the Department of Justice created Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from exploitation and abuse. Led by the U.S. Attorney's Offices and the Department of Justice's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.

https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdia/pr/story-county-man-sentenced-possession-child-pornography

LEON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE Walt McNeil, Sheriff 2825 Municipal Way Tallahassee, FL 32304 www.leoncountyso.com

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

LCSO Arrests Registered Sex Offender on 40 Counts of Child Pornography

Date: May 12, 2023

In early April, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children alerted the Leon County Sheriff's Office that Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM) was being uploaded to a data storage user's account.

During the investigation, LCSO detectives discovered the account belonged to a male, later identified as William Clark, who is a registered sex offender in Leon County.

Working in coordination with the Department of Corrections Probation Office, LCSO detectives arrested Clark on May 4 and transported him to the Leon County Detention Facility to face multiple charges related to the investigation. The investigation is still active, and anyone with information regarding this case is encouraged to contact the Leon County Sheriff's Office at (850) 606-3300. Citizens can also find resources at the NCMEC website: https://www.missingkids.org/HOME

NAME: William Clark DOB: 09/06/1960

CHARGES: • 40 counts of Aggravated Possession of Child Pornography • 5 counts of Possession of Animal Sexual Abuse Imagery • 1 count of Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communication Device

https://www.leoncountyso.com/Portals/0/adam/Press%20Releases/mDCmj4Oma02bXSE9jFKcdw/File/LCSO%20Arrests%20Registered%20Sex%20Offender%20on%2040%20Counts%20of%20Child%20Porn.pdf

Criminal website activity leads to arrest for sexual exploitation of minor in Horry County

by Courtney Rowles Wed, December 20th 2023

HORRY COUNTY, S.C. (WPDE) — A 52-year-old was arrested for the sexual exploitation of a minor, according to a release from Horry County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) on Wednesday.

William Edmundson, 52, is charged with first-degree sexual exploitation of a minor.

The HCSO Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force made the arrest.

HCSO received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about alleged criminal activity on the website, MeetMe. com. After further investigation, Edmundson was charged.

This case will be prosecuted by the SC Attorney General's Office.

https://wpde.com/news/local/sex-crimes-against-minor-meet-me-website-william-edmundson-arrested-charged-horry-county-sheriffs-office-december-20-2023

Farmington man charged Tuesday for possession of child pornography

The St. Francois County Prosecuting Attorney's office charged Howell Tuesday with three counts of possession of child pornography.

Author: Hayley Vawter

Published: 10:55 AM CDT May 5, 2023

FARMINGTON, Mo. — A 23-year-old Farmington man was charged Tuesday for possession of child pornography.

The St. Francois County Prosecuting Attorney's office charged **William Howell** on Tuesday with three counts of possession of child pornography, The Missouri State Highway Patrol said.

On March 8, the MSHP Division of Drug and Crime Control conducted a search of William Howell's home.

Electronic devices were taken in the search, and found to have child pornography on them.

Howell is being held on a \$100,000 bond at the St. Francois County jail. https://www.ksdk.com/article/news/crime/farmington-man-charged-possession-child-pornography/63-38584d1f-f1c5-4d62-949a-9bf5f7148c3a

Police: Westfield Man Arrested in Connection with Child Sexual Abuse/Exploitation Material

By TAPinto Westfield Staff Published May 19, 2023 at 12:09 PM

WESTFIELD, NJ — A Westfield man was arrested Tuesday and served with a complaint-summonses for possession of child sexual abuse/exploitation material, the police chief announced Friday.

William Maher, 83, was arrested by the New Jersey State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Unit following an early morning search warrant execution at his Topping Hill Road residence, Westfield Police Chief Christopher Battiloro said in a statement.

The search warrant was executed by the New Jersey State Police with assistance from detectives from the Union County Prosecutor's Office and Westfield Police Department, he said.

Maher was transported to the Westfield Police Department where he was processed, served with a complaint-summonses for 2C:24-4B(5)(b)(iii) – Possession of Child Sexual Abuse/Exploitation Material, a crime of the third degree – and released on his own recognizance pending a future court appearance, Battiloro said.

The New Jersey State Police is the lead department of the federal Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force for the State of New Jersey, Battiloro noted in his announcement. It is responsible for conducting investigations of offenders that utilize computers and computer technology for the purpose of exploiting children.

It also conducts proactive and reactive investigations into the endangerment of children. These cases most often come in the form of child sexual abuse/exploitation material or luring of a child, he said.

Battiloro offered the following advice for those who wish to report a crime or suspicious incident involving children:

"If you wish to report an instance of child endangerment and the suspect or victim lives in New Jersey, please utilize the New Jersey State Police Computer Crimes Task Force Hotline: 1-888-648-600.

"If you wish to report an instance of child endangerment utilizing a web reporting system, or if you are unsure as to the location of the child, please utilize the CyberTipline Reporting System sponsored by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children: https://www.ncmec.org.

"The NCMEC acts as a clearinghouse for information received from various sources and distributes it to law enforcement. As the lead department for the federal Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force for the State of New Jersey, the New Jersey State Police receives all Cybertips linked to New Jersey." https://www.tapinto.net/towns/westfield/sections/police-and-fire/articles/police-westfield-man-arrested-inconnection-with-child-sexual-abuse-exploitation-material

Havelock Man Sentenced to 7 ½ Years in Prison for Receiving Child Pornography

Friday, January 27, 2023

For Immediate Release U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of North Carolina

WILMINGTON, N.C. – **William McCoy** was sentenced today to 90 months in prison for receipt of child pornography. McCoy, 26, pled guilty to the charge on July 27, 2022.

According to court documents and other information presented in court, on February 24, 2021, Investigators at Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point received a CyberTip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding activity on Facebook Messenger. The user had been identified as William McCoy, who was then a lance corporal stationed at Cherry Point.

The CyberTip showed that in chats dated January 31, 2021, McCoy and 16-year-old female Victim-1 had discussed previously having sexual intercourse. McCoy referred to a video recording of the encounter and had instructed Victim-1 to watch a video.

On March 2, 2021, an NCIS agent obtained command authorization to search McCoy and his living space, including digital devices. Agents met McCoy at his commanding officer's office and seized from McCoy's person a Samsung Galaxy Note phone.

McCoy waived his rights and agreed to a video recorded interview. He stated he had dated Victim-1, who he claimed was 22 years old. He stated that they had been dating for six months and were sexually active. McCoy gave permission for his phone to be searched, and agents saw multiple sexually explicit photos of Victim-1, as well as a video in which McCoy and Victim-1 are masturbating together over the video chat application Google Duo. Agents found a phone number for Victim-1, who they contacted and confirmed was currently 17 years old. McCoy admitted that he lied about Victim-1's age, that he found out her true age in November 2020, and that they had sexual intercourse in December 2020.

A digital forensic examiner reviewed McCoy's Samsung Galaxy Note cellphone and found over 50 image files and 150 video files that appeared to depict Victim-1 in child exploitative poses. Of these, 11 images and 47 videos were confirmed to be child pornography based on content through which the subject could be identified as Victim-1 and therefore a minor. It is believed that all photos were of Victim-1; no other minors were identified within the photos.

Subsequent investigation determined that McCoy had solicited, and in some cases received, sexual photos from at least three other minor females who were connected to Victim-1. At the same time, McCoy sent photos and videos depicting his penis to minor females, and some were able to describe his military quarters to investigators.

Michael Easley, U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina made the announcement after sentencing by Chief U.S. District Judge Richard E. Myers II. Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS) investigated the case, which Assistant U.S. Attorney Jake D. Pugh prosecuted.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.iustice.gov/psc

https://www.justice.gov/usao-ednc/pr/havelock-man-sentenced-7-12-years-prison-receiving-child-pornography#:~:text=Havelock%20Man%20Sentenced%20to%207%20%C2%BD%20Years%20in%20Prison%20for%20Receiving%20Child%20Pornography,-

Friday%2C%20January%2027&text=WILMINGTON%20%2C%20N.C.%20%E2%80%93%20William%20McCoy%20was,charge%20on%20July%2027%2C%202022.

NJ county sheriff's officer busted on child pornography charge

Erin vogt Published: June 8, 2023

JERSEY CITY — A 35-year-old officer with the Hudson County Sheriff's Office has been accused of having child pornography.

William Medina, of Union City, was arrested Thursday, following a months-long investigation into child sex abuse material stored on an online file storage server, according to Hudson County Prosecutor Esther Suarez.

Medina has been charged with third-degree possession of child sex abuse material.

He was placed on administrative leave and was suspended without pay, according to Hudson County Sheriff Frank X. Schillari.

"These allegations are serious and certainly do not reflect the values of the Hudson County Sheriff's Office," Schillari said.

Medina has been a sheriff's officer since at least 2017, according to online pay records.

His base salary last year was \$70,476.

He was released from custody, pending a first court appearance set for June 29.

"My Office and its Internal Affairs Unit has, and will continue to, fully cooperate with the Hudson County Prosecutor's Office throughout the course of prosecution," Schillari said.

https://nj1015.com/hudson-nj-sheriffs-officer-child-porn-arrest-william-medina/

Columbia man charged with statutory rape, multiple child-porn charges

By Ryan Shiner March 17, 2023 4:14 PM Published March 17, 2023 4:16 PM COLUMBIA, Mo. (KMIZ)

A Columbia man has been accused of rape and multiple child pornography charges.

William Lee Nichols, 51, is charged with second-degree statutory rape, second-degree statutory sodomy, possession of child pornography and promoting child pornography. He is being held without bond at the Boone County Jail. An arraignment was held Friday.

The probable cause statement says Nichols started having sex with a girl in 2019 and that it went on until the girl turned 16 in 2021. Some of the incidents involved sex toys, which were found Thursday after a search warrant was executed at his residence. The probable cause statement claims he sent nude images of himself to the victim and also made her send him nude photos via email.

The Boone County Sheriff's Office Cyber Crimes Task Force received a report from the National Center for Missouri and Exploited Children on Nov. 3, 2022. The complaint was sent from Yahoo, claiming that on Aug. 2, a user sent four images of nude children younger than 12 years old to another Yahoo user. https://abc17news.com/news/crime/2023/03/17/columbia-man-charged-with-statutory-rape-multiple-child-porn-charges/

Camden man arrested for sexual crimes involving minors

By Marcus Flowers

Published: Feb. 2, 2023 at 8:00 PM EST

KERSHAW COUNTY, S.C. (WIS) - A Kershaw County man is facing 22 charges after a multi-agency investigation.

The Kershaw County Sheriff's Office reports that 63-year-old **William Daniel Stalls** was arrested after a search warrant was executed at his residence.

On Tuesday, Jan. 31, investigators initiated an early morning search warrant operation at the residence of Stalls at the 700 block of Red Hill Road. Detectives recovered over 600 images/videos of child pornography during the operation.

In November 2021, detectives received a Cyber Tipline report from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) which started a year-long investigation.

The S.C. Attorney General's Office, KCSO Special Response Team (SRT), Camden Police Department, U.S. Secret Service, Homeland Security, the South Carolina State Law Enforcement Division (SLED), and KCSO Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force investigators were all part of the investigation.

"These types of investigations can sometimes take a long time. SC Attorney General Alan Wilson's office has always been very supportive of these operations. I am very proud of our KCSO Lt Carol Tarte and her team's patience and determination in following up with this case. It is my hope their hard work prevented future victims." said Sheriff Lee Boan

Stalls was charged with two counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, 10 counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, nine counts of voyeurism, and incest. More charges may be forthcoming as the investigation continues according to deputies.

On the morning of Feb. 2, Stalls' bond was denied on the second-degree charges of sexual exploitation of a minor.

https://www.wistv.com/2023/02/03/camden-man-arrested-sexual-crimes-involving-minors/

Vaughan resident faces child pornography charges following OPP investigation

Police seized electronic devices July 28 at Caledon residence

By John Cudmore Vaughan Citizen Monday, January 10, 2022

A months-long investigation by Caledon OPP into child sexual exploitation has led to the arrest of a resident of Vaughan.

The arrest stems from the execution of a warrant July 28 at a home in Caledon where police seized several electronic devices.

William Torres, 42, of Vaughan, was arrested and charged with two counts of possessing child pornography, accessing child pornography and making child pornography available.

He is also charged with failing to comply with probation and prohibition orders.

The accused was released from custody following a bail hearing and is scheduled to appear in court on Feb. 3 in Orangeville.

Anyone with information regarding this investigation or information regarding internet child exploitation is urged to contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122. https://www.yorkregion.com/news/crime/vaughan-resident-faces-child-pornography-charges-following-opp-investigation/article_a3de5654-0175-5834-824f-17cde0020796.html

Logan County man arrested for child pornography

by DeAngelo Marquise Vaxter Tue, October 17th 2023, 3:35 PM EDT

LOGAN COUNTY, OK (KOKH) — A Logan County man faces possible jail time after being arrested for child pornography.

According to the Oklahoma Bureau of Investigation (OSBI), on October 11, the OSBI Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and other agencies conducted a search warrant at a residence in rural Logan County regarding a child pornography case.

Investigators said that based on the evidence obtained during the search, 27-year-old **Wyatt Bartels** was arrested and booked into the Logan County Jail for aggravated possession of child pornography, child sexual exploitation, and violation of the Oklahoma Computer Crimes Act.

https://okcfox.com/news/local/logan-county-man-arrested-for-child-pornography-oklahoma-okc-police-department-porn-rural-osbi-bureau

Convicted sex offender arrested again on child porn charges, Coweta County deputies say

By <u>Doug Evans</u> Published November 15, 2023 <u>Coweta County</u> <u>FOX 5</u> Atlanta

COWETA COUNTY, Ga. - A convicted child molester in Coweta County is back behind bars after authorities were tipped off to photographs he allegedly had been sharing on social media.

Zachary Bormann, 28, was arrested on Monday at a Coweta County business where he was employed.

The GBI got a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that Bormann had allegedly shared and possessed child sexual abuse material on social media, according to the Coweta County Sheriff's Office.

The GBI handed that over to the sheriff's office investigative unit.

Bormann is no stranger to law enforcement or the court system. He is a registered sex offender who was charged in 2015 with aggravated sexual battery against a child under 16 years old, child molestation, and enticing a child for indecent purposes. He would later be convicted. In 2017, his name would first appear on the Georgia Sex Offender Register as part of his sentence.

According to court records, Bormann is currently on parole and could be ordered back to prison to serve what deputies say was the eight years remaining on his sentence.

Deputies searched his Moreland home and seized his electronic devices. Digital forensic investigators will search those devices for evidence in the case.

Jail records indicate he is charged with child sexual exploitation, a felony, and the aforementioned parole violation. Deputies say more charges are possible.

Bormann was booked into the Coweta County Jail without bond.

The case remains under investigation.

https://www.fox5atlanta.com/news/zachary-bormann-child-sexual-exploitation-child-porn-coweta-county-arrest

Florida man possessed more than 700 images of child pornography, at least 3 of bestiality: Deputies

ALBERTO LUPERON May 9th, 2023, 2:37 pm

A Florida man who possessed hundreds of images depicting sexual abuse of children and at least three images of bestiality was flagged to authorities when a messaging app reported his account after he uploaded one of the abusive images online, deputies said.

Deputies from the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office announced the arrest of **Zachary Richard Heath Ward**, 29, on Monday.

"Between the Defendant's Kik and Dropbox accounts, your Affiant observed over seven hundred (700) files of child pornography, and three (3) files containing acts of bestiality," said the probable cause affidavit for Ward's arrest.

According to the sheriff's office, the Kik Messenger app sent the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children a tip on July 21 after someone uploaded child sexual abuse material (CSAM) to the app's platform.

A search warrant turned up seven more files containing the abusive material, authorities said. The defendant's account allegedly transmitted two of them to other Kik accounts between April 27 and April 28, 2021.

"Your Affiant served a lawfully obtained subpoena for the IP address [redacted]," deputies wrote. "The subpoena return revealed this IP Address was a Natting IP Address, which means multiple users are capable of using the IP at the same time. Your Affiant located the phone number [starting with] 706-utilizing the above IP address, which was later determined to be the defendant's phone number."

Investigators said they executed a search warrant at Ward's home in December 2022. Post-Miranda, he declined to answer questions without a lawyer, they said.

More evidence on his iPhone allegedly included messages from his Yahoo email address. A folder, titled "Girls," was in his account and contained subfolders titled with girls' names and ages, which ranged from 12 to 18, deputies said.

Ward faces 30 counts of possession of child pornography, two counts of transmission of child pornography, three counts of bestiality, and one count of use of a two-way communication device to facilitate a felony.

He was booked into the Okaloosa County Jail on Friday, where he remains locked up on a \$345,000 bond. He has no attorney of record.

https://lawandcrime.com/crime/florida-man-possessed-more-than-700-images-of-child-pornography-at-least-3-of-bestiality-deputies/

Pines teen facing child porn charges

BY CBS MIAMI TEAM Upddated on June 1, 2023

MIAMI - An 18-year-old Pembroke Pines resident is facing charges after detectives say he was found in possession of images depicting child porn.

Police said **Zion Alexander Carter** was found in possession of multiple obscene images and videos "depicting child sexual abuse material."

Detectives say that a search warrant on his cell phone was served on May 31 and that is where they found the images depicting children between the ages of 8-13.

Carter has been charged with two felony counts of Sexual Performance by a Child (Child Pornography), eight felony counts under the Computer Pornography and Child Exploitation Prevention Act, and ten felony counts of Transmission of Pornography by an Electronic Device or Equipment. https://www.cbsnews.com/miami/news/pines-teen-facing-child-porn-charges/