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Former Glenbeulah, WI, Man Sentenced to 133 months in Federal Prison for Possession of Child Pornography

United States Attorney Matthew D. Krueger announced that on July 2, 2018, Richard L. Kraemer (age: 47) formerly of Glenbeulah, Wisconsin, was sentenced to 133 months in federal prison for possession of child pornography, to be followed by 8 years of supervised release.

Kraemer was charged with five counts of distribution of child pornography and one count of possession of child pornography. The charges stemmed from an investigation led by the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Milwaukee Division. An FBI Task Force Officer was conducting an online investigation on the BitTorrent network for offenders sharing child pornography. On five separate dates, the FBI Task Force Officer was able to download child pornography that Kraemer made available. A search warrant was obtained by the FBI Task Force Officer for Kraemer's residence to search for child pornography. Forensic examination of the devices seized from Kramer's residence revealed that he possessed numerous the images of children, including children as young as 6 months old.

According to United States Attorney Krueger, "Protecting our nation's children is a top priority for the U.S. Department of Justice. This lengthy sentence should serve as a warning to other predators." Krueger also commended the work of the FBI Task Force and the Sheboygan County Sheriff's Office to support this prosecution.

The sentence in this case was imposed by the Honorable Pamela Pepper, United States District Judge. Kramer was previously convicted of first degree and second degree sexual assault by the State of Wisconsin.

This case was prosecuted in federal court as part of "Project Safe Childhood," the Department of Justice's 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 using the internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Penelope L. Coblentz.

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