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VERONA MAN SENTENCED TO 90 MONTHS FOR POSSESSING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

Madison, Wis. - John W. Vaudreuil, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Paul Marshall Ketring, 40, Verona, Wis., was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge William M. Conley to 90 months in prison and a lifetime of supervised release for possessing child pornography. Ketring pleaded guilty to this charge on December 10, 2010.

In July 2010, officers with the Madison Police Department received a complaint from a woman who indicated that Ketring had asked her to find him an eight-year-old girl for sex. As part of the investigation, officers executed a search warrant on July 26, 2010 at Ketring's home in Verona. Officers seized firearms, a stun gun, marijuana, sexually explicit photographs of adult women, and computer equipment containing thousands of images children. These included images and movies of children engaged in sexually explicit activity, as well as videos of children being violently sexually assaulted. Officer's also found binoculars on a window ledge overlooking a grade school, as well as a magnet on Ketring's refrigerator that read "Unregistered Sex Offender."

In sentencing Ketring, Judge Conley noted that Ketring was frighteningly addicted to child pornography and had immersed himself in a pattern of sexually deviant behavior that appeared to be moving from Ketring's home and the Internet, to the outside world where Ketring seemed to be seeking out real children.

Ketring has pending state charges related to the allegations that he attempted to obtain an eight-year-old girl for sexual activity.

The charges against Ketring were the result of an investigation conducted by the Madison Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Laura Przybylinski Finn.

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