

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

United States of America

v.

Loren Allen Copp a/k/a "Sensei"

Case No. 4:16 MJ 7115 SPM

Defendant(s)

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, the complainant in this case, state that the following is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

On or about the date(s) of October 2009 to October 15, 2015 in the county of St. Louis City in the Eastern District of Missouri, the defendant(s) violated:

Code Section

Offense Description

18:2251(a)

Production of Child Pornography

This criminal complaint is based on these facts:

SEE ATTACHED AFFIDAVIT

Continued on the attached sheet.

Complainant's signature
S.A. Jennifer Lynch

Printed name and title

Sworn to before me and signed in my presence.

Date: 04/07/2016

Judge's signature

City and state: St. Louis, Missouri

Honorable Shirley Padmore Mensah, U.S. Magistrate Judge
Printed name and title

1. This affiant, Jennifer N. Lynch, has been employed as a Special Agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation for approximately 7 years and is currently assigned to investigate Civil Rights, to include Human Trafficking. During the course of this time period, this affiant has had numerous contacts and dealings with police officers, individuals known to possess and/or sell obscene material, as well as subjects known to possess, distribute, and or manufacture child pornographic images and/or videos. This affiant has assisted in numerous investigations and search warrants relative to the crimes of manufacturing, possessing, production and/or distributing child pornography.
2. The statements in this affidavit are based in part on this affiant's personal knowledge and/or information provided by other law enforcement officers, and/or statements provided by "Jane Doe 1". Since this affidavit is being submitted for the limited purpose of securing a warrant, this affiant has not included each and every fact concerning this investigation.
3. In September 2015, detectives with the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department (hereinafter "SLMPD") received a tip from a Confidential Source (hereinafter "CS") who provided information that a subject using the moniker "Sensei," (later identified as Loren COPP), resided at 4601 Morganford Rd., St. Louis, Missouri 63116. The CS reported that COPP operated a business at the Morganford address which included a martial arts dojo, a pizza restaurant operating under the name "Dojo Pizza," a school, and a youth shelter. The CS also stated that there were several minor females living at Dojo Pizza who were not the biological children of COPP, and they were living with COPP due to their parents being either incarcerated or homeless. Also, COPP was the only adult living at the facility and had sole care, custody and control of the minors.
4. Even further, the CS advised that COPP was forcing the minors to work at "Dojo Pizza," located in the front of portion of Dojo Pizza, without providing compensation or consistent food to the minors. The CS advised that when the minors refused to work, COPP would verbally punish them which would include threats of being put out of Dojo Pizza, which would leave the minors homeless. The CS also advised that COPP touched the minors in inappropriate ways (sexually), in inappropriate areas of their bodies. Also, the minors did not receive medical treatment, and they had untreated bed bugs and lice, as well as sprained appendages.
5. On October 23, 2015, investigators with the SLMPD obtained a State of Missouri search warrant issued by St. Louis City Associate Circuit Judge Paula Bryant for Dojo Pizza for violations of Missouri state laws involving Sexual Misconduct Involving a Child and Human Trafficking (Labor). Between November 2015 and December 2015, based on State and Federal search warrants obtained by SLMPD, HSI and FBI, multiple types of digital media were seized and analyzed.
6. During the course of their forensic analyses of the media both HSI and FBI forensic examiners found what they determined to be child pornography. In March 2016, both HSI and FBI then obtained subsequent federal search warrants to search for child pornography on the media seized. Following, a HSI forensic examiner analyzed the Purex Technology Hard Drive and located child pornography which included images of a minor female performing oral sex on a male and a minor female engaging in vaginal intercourse with a male. The Purex Technology Hard Drive involved in this investigation was not manufactured in Missouri and therefore traveled in interstate commerce.
7. On April 6, 2016, investigators spoke with Jane Doe 1 and showed her the images of a minor female performing oral sex on a male and the image of a minor female having vaginal intercourse with a male which were found on the Purex Technology Hard Drive. During her interview Jane Doe 1 identified herself as the minor female in the aforementioned pictures and she identified COPP as the

male depicted in those images. Lastly, Jane Doe 1 reported that she was approximately twelve (12) years-old in the image depicting her engaging in oral sex with COPP, and the second image was taken by COPP when she was approximately between the ages of fifteen (15) and sixteen (16) years old.