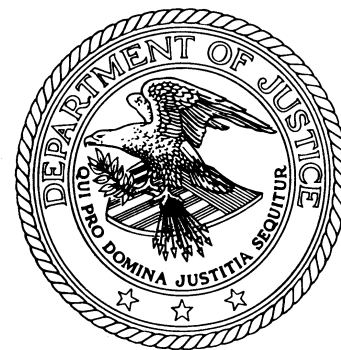


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NEWS RELEASE SUMMARY - February 6, 2009

United States Attorney Karen P. Hewitt announced that John Anthony Bull was sentenced today in federal court in San Diego by United States District Court Judge M. James Lorenz to serve 78 months in custody, followed by lifetime supervised release, based his conviction for possession of child pornography, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252(a)(4)(B). Judge Lorenz also required Bull to register as a sex offender. Bull pled guilty on May 6, 2008.

According to the court records, Bull admitted that on or about September 11, 2007, he possessed a computer containing over 600 images of minors, some as young as six years old, engaging in sexually explicit conduct with adults and each other.

During the sentencing hearing, Judge Lorenz noted that Bull was previously convicted of Lewd or Lascivious Acts with a Child Under 14, in violation of California Penal Code §288a in 1982. Prior to his arrest, Bull worked for the Unified Port District in San Diego.

This case stems from an investigation by Federal Bureau of Investigation and assisted by the San Diego Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, whose members include the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the San Diego Police Department, the San Diego County Sheriff's Department, the Chula Vista Police Department, the United States Attorney's Office, the San Diego District Attorney's Office, the United States Postal Inspection Service, the Naval Criminal Investigative Service, the United States Marshals Service, the Regional Computer Forensics Laboratory, the Defense Criminal Investigative Service, and the El Cajon Police Department.

This case is being brought as part of the Department of Justice Project Safe Childhood (PSC) and the FBI's Innocent Images National Initiative (IINI). Both are nationwide initiatives designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. For more information about PSC, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov, and for additional information on IINI, please visit www.fbi.gov.

DEFENDANT

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JOHN ANTHONY BULL

SUMMARY OF CHARGES

Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252(a)(4)(B) (Possession of Child Pornography)

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