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**FORMER GRADE SCHOOL TEACHER FROM GLENDALE
SENTENCED TO 3 YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR
POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

PHOENIX – Barrett Keith Williams, 44, of Glendale, Ariz., was sentenced yesterday to three years in federal prison by U.S. District Judge Stephen M. McNamee. Williams pleaded guilty to Possession of Child Pornography on July 17, 2007. As a result of William's conviction, he was also placed on lifetime supervised release with sex offender conditions and is required to register as a sex offender with state and federal agencies.

On October, 2006, Williams was found with child pornography on his computer, including images of boys under the age of 12 engaged in various sex acts with adult men. He admitted that he paid to visit web sites which depicted images of child pornography and admitted to possessing child pornography images on his computer. Williams was discovered because of his subscription to a billing company which was known to accept payment for web sites supplying child pornography.

At the time of his arrest, Williams was a grade school teacher for the Pendergast Elementary School in Phoenix where he worked from July 2001 to November 2006. From 1999 to 2001 he was a teacher for West Side Private School in Glendale and from 1996 to 1999 he was a teacher for Northwest Community School in Phoenix.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The prosecution was handled by Sharon Sexton, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

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