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North Charleston Man Arrested on Child Pornography Charges

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Roman Sebastian Bennett (DOB: 1970) of North Charleston, S.C. on seven (7) counts involving the sexual exploitation of minors. The Charleston County Sheriff's Department, a member of the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, made the arrest. Assistance was provided by the Charleston Police Department, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, and U.S. Postal Inspection Service, all ICAC Task Force members.

Investigators say Bennett was involved in sending child pornography via file sharing.

A search warrant was obtained and executed at Bennett's residence on June 25, 2015. Computers and other electronic equipment were seized for forensic examination. He was arrested and charged with six (6) counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor, second degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to ten (10) years imprisonment on each count; and one (1) count of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor, third degree (§16-15-410), a felony offense punishable by up to ten (10) years imprisonment.

Bennett was assigned a surety bond of \$130,000.

The case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Wilson stressed all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.

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