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Iowa Man Arrested on Child Pornography Charges

(COLUMBIA, S.C.) South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced the arrest of Paul Michael Scola (DOB: 1941) of Burlington, Iowa, on seven (7) charges connected to sexual exploitation of minors. The U.S. Marshals Service (Southern Iowa Fugitive Task Force-Davenport) made the arrest. The Horry County Sheriff's Office, a member of the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, assisted in the arrest.

Investigators state that Scola was involved in uploading child pornography in Horry County before relocating to Iowa.

Scola was arrested on May 12, 2016. He is charged with six (6) counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor, Second Degree (§16-15-405), a felony offense punishable by up to (10) years imprisonment; and with 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 on each count.

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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