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Mt. Pleasant P.D. Arrests Little River Man for Criminal Solicitation of a Minor

Columbia - Attorney General Alan Wilson announced today that on February 7, 2011, the Mt. Pleasant Police Department with assistance from the Horry County Sheriffs' Office and the Myrtle Beach Police Department arrested Randy David Bell, 29, of 590 Highway 57 South, Little River, SC.

All three agencies involved with the arrest are members of the Attorney General's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Arrest warrants allege Bell engaged in online conversations of a sexual nature with a person he believed to be a minor, who was actually an undercover officer with the Mt. Pleasant Police Department.

Bell is charged with two (2) counts of Criminal Solicitation of a Minor (§16-15-342). Each count is a felony offense punishable by up to ten (10) years imprisonment. Bell is being held on \$100,000 bond at the Sheriff J. Al Cannon Detention Center in Charleston, SC.

A booking photo is available through the Sheriff J. Al Cannon Detention Center in Charleston, SC.

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

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

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