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JACKSONVILLE MAN SENTENCED FOR ATTEMPTED TRANSPORTATION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

Jacksonville, FL - U.S. Attorney A. Brian Albritton announces that U.S. District Judge Henry L. Adams, Jr., yesterday sentenced Clifford Anderson Duncan (age 31, of Jacksonville) to five years in federal prison for attempted transportation of child pornography. The court also ordered Duncan to register under federal and state law as a sex offender and to forfeit his computer equipment. Duncan had pleaded guilty on February 4, 2009.

According to court documents, in April 2008, the Martin County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) began investigating the use of file sharing software to transport child pornography over the Internet. Law enforcement officers identified Duncan's computer as having numerous child pornography videos available for downloading over the Internet. The MCSO determined Duncan lived in Jacksonville and the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) Vice Unit then continued the investigation.

On May 16, 2008, members of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Jacksonville Division ("ICE") and the JSO Vice Unit executed a search warrant at Duncan's residence. After being advised of his constitutional rights, Duncan told law enforcement that he used file sharing software to share files and that child pornography would

"probably" be found on his computer. Agents seized a Dell desktop computer and numerous compact discs which revealed approximately 33 videos of child pornography. Some of the child pornography videos portrayed sadistic conduct involving children.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by United States Attorneys' Offices and the U.S. Department of Justice Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, and to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.

This case was investigated by the Jacksonville Division of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office Vice Unit. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Kevin C. Frein.