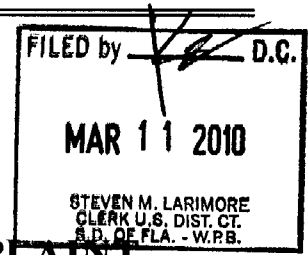


# United States District Court

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

**CRIMINAL COMPLAINT**

vs.

CASE NUMBER: 10-6101-AEV

GEORGE JOSEPH ENGLAND,  
a/k/a "Stephen Arthur Seago,"

Defendant.

I, the undersigned complainant, being duly sworn, state the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

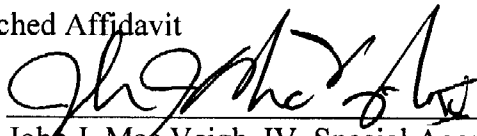
In or around the winter of 1977, the defendant, GEORGE JOSEPH ENGLAND, a/k/a "Stephen Arthur Seago," did knowingly transport an individual who had not attained the age of eighteen years, that is, J.S., in interstate commerce from California to Broward County, Florida, in the Southern District of Florida, with the intent that such individual engage in sexual activity for which any person can be charged with a criminal offense, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2423(a).

Further, on or about May 18, 2005, in Miami-Dade County, in the Southern District of Florida, the defendant, GEORGE JOSEPH ENGLAND, a/k/a "Stephen Arthur Seago," did knowingly possess matter, that is, computer files stored on a computer hard drive, that contained visual depictions that had been mailed, shipped, and transported in interstate commerce by any means including by computer, and which was produced using material that had been mailed or so shipped or transported by any means, and the production of which involved the use of a minor engaging in sexually explicit conduct, and such visual depiction was of such conduct, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252(a)(4)(B).

I further state that I am a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and that this Complaint is based on the following facts:

Please see attached Affidavit

Continued on the attached and made a part hereof.

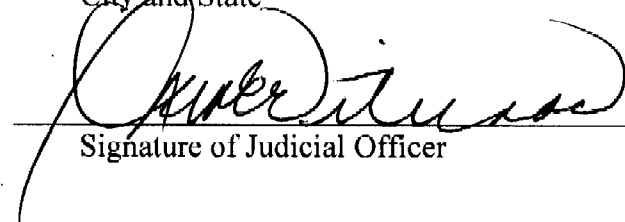
  
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 John J. Mac Veigh, IV, Special Agent  
 Federal Bureau of Investigation

Sworn to before me, and subscribed in my presence,  
upon my finding of probable cause.

March 11, 2010 \_\_\_\_\_ at  
Date

West Palm Beach, Florida \_\_\_\_\_  
City and State

ANN E. VITUNAC  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE \_\_\_\_\_

  
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 Signature of Judicial Officer

**AFFIDAVIT**

I, John J. MacVeigh, IV, being duly sworn, do depose and say as follows:

1. I am a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (hereinafter "FBI") and have been so employed since October 29, 1995. I am assigned to the Miami Division, Palm Beach County Resident Agency, in West Palm Beach, Florida. My duties include investigating violent crimes, including offenses involving the transportation of minor children with the intent to engage in criminal sexual activity and child pornography offenses, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2423(a) and 2252. Prior to being employed with the FBI, I was employed as police officer for the Jupiter Police Department from 1988 to 1995.

2. The facts set forth in this affidavit are based on my personal knowledge, as well as knowledge, information, and documentation that I obtained from others, including other law enforcement officers, and information gained through my training and experience. I am submitting this affidavit for the limited purpose of establishing probable cause for a criminal complaint against GEORGE JOSEPH ENGLAND (hereinafter "ENGLAND"). This affidavit does not include each and every fact known to me about this investigation.

3. In 2004, the FBI received information from a woman, d/o/b 5/24/1967, (hereinafter "J.Z.") who reported that she had been sexually abused beginning when she

was a minor child by GEORGE JOSEPH ENGLAND (hereinafter "ENGLAND"). J.Z. reported that she met ENGLAND in 1972 when she was five years old. At the time, ENGLAND worked in Vietnam as a civilian contractor after having received an Honorable Discharge from the U.S. Army in 1966. J.Z. stated that her mother sold her to ENGLAND when she was five years old. ENGLAND then traveled through Asia with J.Z. before moving with her to Orange County, California in the early to mid-1970s. Beginning when J.Z. was five years old, ENGLAND forced her to engage in sexual intercourse and other sex acts with him approximately five times per week. On several occasions, ENGLAND supplied her with alcohol beginning when she was seven years old.

4. J.Z. further reported that ENGLAND encouraged her as a young child to invite her female friends from school or the neighborhood to spend the night in their motor home in Costa Mesa, CA. She stated that ENGLAND drilled a hole in the wall from his bedroom into the bathroom in order to watch her and her friends. ENGLAND also mounted a Plexiglas box with a camera concealed inside near the bathtub, which he used to take nude photos of the young girls bathing.

5. J.Z. stated that ENGLAND also molested several young girls while living in Costa Mesa in the mid-1970s. In July 1977, ENGLAND was arrested for molesting three of J.Z.'s girlfriends, ages nine to ten years old. After being released on bail pending trial, ENGLAND coached J.Z. on what to say to the police. He also instructed her that, if

she was called testify at trial, she should deny that he ever sexually abused her. J.Z. stated that ENGLAND threatened that she would end up getting raped by a foster family or be forced into prostitution if she testified against him. He also told her that she would never be adopted because she was too old, and that he was the only person who could protect her.

6. During the trial, the three victims testified that ENGLAND sexually assaulted them in his motor home between the fall of 1976 and the summer of 1977. The victims testified that the sexual assaults occurred when they spent the night at his house after J.Z. had fallen asleep. On October 21, 1977, ENGLAND was convicted by a jury of numerous felony counts of child molestation. None of ENGLAND's convictions related to his molestation of J.Z. After getting released on bond pending sentencing, ENGLAND took J.Z. and fled California. An arrest warrant was issued in California for ENGLAND soon thereafter.

7. During the winter of 1977, ENGLAND absconded with J.Z. to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, where he assumed a false identity to avoid being arrested on the outstanding California warrant and going back to California to face sentencing. J.Z. was approximately ten years old at the time. ENGLAND obtained a birth certificate, social security number, driver's license, and passport under the name "Stephen Arthur Seago," which was the true name and identity of a child who had died in 1947. ENGLAND worked as an electrician and enrolled J.Z. in school. While living in South Florida,

ENGLAND continued to sexually assault J.Z. almost daily, including forced oral copulation, sexual intercourse, sodomy, and bestiality. ENGLAND encouraged J.Z. to play sex games with other children as he watched through a hole he had drilled in the wall.

8. I understand that, under Florida law in 1977, it was a felony offense for an adult to engage in sexual battery or lewd and lascivious acts with a child under the age of 16 years, pursuant to Fl. Stat. 800.04.

9. As a result of his prolonged sexual abuse, ENGLAND impregnated J.Z. approximately five times by the age of 16. The first pregnancy occurred when J.Z. was 13 years old. The baby was given up for adoption. ENGLAND told social workers that J.Z. had become pregnant after getting drunk at a party and having sex with an unknown male. ENGLAND arranged for J.Z. to abort her remaining pregnancies. J.Z. stated that she had threatened suicide to get ENGLAND to stop molesting her. In 1988, when she was 21 years old, J.Z. married and moved out of ENGLAND'S home.

10. In or around 1992 or 1993, ENGLAND moved to Miami where he met Ted Crandall for whom he worked over the next several years. In 1995, J.Z. terminated all contact with ENGLAND. She has not spoken to him since. In 2004, J.Z. approached the FBI and provided information on ENGLAND'S alias to assist law enforcement in arresting him on the outstanding California arrest warrant. J.Z. was unable to provide

ENGLAND's location because she had not been in contact with him in many years, but the FBI was able to add his alias to the information on the outstanding warrant.

11. On May 18, 2005, ENGLAND was identified and located after he tried to obtain a passport in his false name. He <sup>was arrested</sup> arrested on a criminal complaint charging him in the Southern District of Florida with fraud and misuse of a visa, permit, and other entry documents, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1546. A subsequent indictment alleged that ENGLAND obtained a United States passport in the name of Stephen Arthur Seago, by falsely claiming that he was Stephen Arthur Seago, when in truth and fact, and as ENGLAND then and there well knew, he was not Stephen Arthur Seago.

12. On May 27, 2005, federal law enforcement agents spoke with Mike Rubin, attorney for Crandall. Rubin reported that all of ENGLAND'S belongings were going to be removed from Crandall's storage unit located at 16085 NW 49<sup>th</sup> Street in Miami and placed on the street as abandoned property. On May 28, 2005, agents from the U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service, retrieved all of ENGLAND'S belongings that were removed and placed outside the storage unit. Among the items recovered from the abandoned property was a computer. A forensic examination of the computer was later conducted which revealed numerous images of child pornography, including the following: (i) a photograph of a pre-pubescent female girl touching the penis of a pre-pubescent male; (ii) a photograph of an adult male touching the genital

area of a pre-pubescent Vietnamese female; (iii) a photograph of a teenage girl sitting on top of an unknown male engaging in intercourse. Several documents in the name of "Stephen Arthur Seago," including a 1990 Federal Income Tax Return and a 1994 W2 Form, were also found among ENGLAND'S belongings.

13. ENGLAND has been incarcerated since May 18, 2005. After serving his federal sentence for the passport fraud, he returned to California and was sentenced to four consecutive life sentences. He is currently serving a sentence in California on the felony counts of child molestation for which he was convicted in 1977. On March 4, 2010, I learned from the District Attorney's Office in Orange County, California that ENGLAND is scheduled to be released on parole on March 12, 2010.

14. Upon learning of his release, I obtained the report of the forensic examination of ENGLAND's computer and reviewed the images of child pornography and determined that the descriptions above are accurate. In addition, the titles of the files on his computer are consistent with images of child pornography, for example:

- a. \_\_INCOMPLETE\_\_ 8 yo poor girl raped by an burglar, his partner films the scene(forced to suck) bff6db71b952fd6bb4f6aa6bc7acd0772570e781.mpg
- b. \_\_INCOMPLETE\_\_ R@ygold - 5 yo infant play and fuckb5eb58924255c4aff17510b92245fc092be17626.mpg

- c. \_\_INCOMPLETE\_\_ 12yo japanese loses virginity when her period arrives c423aaads0d374a9c8cca35f941f297e12cdab004.mpg

15. Based upon my training and experience, and the training and experience of other law enforcement officers including the officers who forensically examined ENGLAND's computer equipment, I know that: (a) these files were found in a folder entitled "Downloads," which is generally used to store items that are downloaded from the internet; (b) that it appeared as though someone had attempted to delete several of the files; (c) that ENGLAND's computer equipment was assembled, at least in part, of materials that were made outside of the state of Florida; and (d) several of the filenames clearly state that the images were created outside the United States, with references to "japanese," "german," "russian," "Sumiko & Yasuko," "Mexicans," "Norwegian," and "Underage amateur from Perugia-Italy."

16. I understand that, at the time that ENGLAND transported J.Z. in interstate commerce, the statute of limitations for a violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2423(a) was five years. However, "[n]o statute of limitations shall extend to any person fleeing from justice." 18 U.S.C. § 3290. I further understand that the Eleventh Circuit and several other Circuits have held that the statute of limitations is suspended during the entire time that a defendant is a fugitive, even if the crime from which he fled is different <sup>from the</sup> than the instant federal offense. See, e.g., *United States v. Fonseca-Machado*, 53 F.3d 1242 (11th Cir. 1995); *United States v. Gonsalves*, 675 F.2d 1050 (9th Cir. 1982); *United States v.*




Morgan, 922 F.2d 1495 (10th Cir. 1991). ENGLAND was a fugitive from 1977 to 2005. During that period of time, the statute of limitations governing violations of 18 U.S.C. § 2423(a) was amended. On April 30, 2003, 18 U.S.C. § 3283 was amended to provide: “No statute of limitations that would otherwise preclude prosecution for an offense involving the sexual or physical abuse, or kidnaping, of a child under the age of 18 years shall preclude such prosecution during the life of the child.” Since that time, Section 3299 has been enacted, which provides: “Notwithstanding any other law, an indictment may be found . . . at any time without limitation . . . for any felony under chapter . . . 117,” which includes 18 U.S.C. § 2423(a). J.Z. is still alive; accordingly this Criminal Complaint has been filed within the time period allotted by the statute of limitations in effect at the time that ENGLAND ceased to be a fugitive. Because the statute of limitations had not yet expired by April 30, 2003 (when ENGLAND was still “fleeing from justice”), the new statute of limitations can be applied to ENGLAND’s 1977 illegal transport of J.Z. in interstate commerce in order to engage in illegal sexual activity. *See, e.g., Stonger v. California*, 539 U.S. 607, 617-19 (2003); *United States v. Gibson*, 490 F.3d 604, 608-09 (7th Cir. 2007); *United States v. Jeffries*, 405 F.3d 682, 684-685 (8th Cir. 2005) (“extending a limitations period before prosecution is barred does not violate the ex post facto clause”).

17. Based on the foregoing facts, I respectfully submit<sup>fr</sup> that there is probable cause to believe that GEORGE JOSEPH ENGLAND, did knowingly transport an

individual who had not attained the age of 18 years, that is, J.Z., in interstate commerce, with the intent that such individual engage sexual activity for which any person can be charged with a criminal offense; in violation of Title 18, United States Code, 2423(a). I further submit that that there is probable cause to believe that GEORGE JOSEPH ENGLAND, did knowingly possess matter, that is, a computer hard drive, that contained any visual depiction that had been mailed, shipped and transported in interstate commerce by any means including by computer, or which was produced using materials that had been mailed or so shipped or transported, and the production of which involved the use of a minor engaging in sexually explicit conduct, and such visual depiction was of such conduct; in violation of Title 18, United States Code, 2252(a)(4)(B).

Further Affiant Sayeth Not.

  
JOHN J. MAC VEIGH, IV, SPECIAL AGENT  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 11 day of March, 2010

  
ANN E. VITUNAC  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE