

Selected Contact Offenders Charged as a Result of the Investigation

Michael Norris – Vancouver, Wash.

Norris was sentenced in April 2012, in the Western District of Washington, to 25 years in federal prison to be served concurrently with a 35-year state prison term. Norris, a former camp counselor and medical assistant at a Bible camp as well as a former lay youth minister at a Portland, Ore. church, admitted to sexually abusing at least four children and producing pornographic videos of two children who were siblings.

Genaro Vela – Mission, Texas

Vela, who was sentenced in the Southern District of Texas to 14 years in federal prison in April 2007, was a longtime Boy Scout leader, middle school teacher and coach who was found in possession of more than 4,000 images and videos of child pornography. During the sentencing proceeding, one minor testified he had been molested by Vela and four other minors submitted affidavits detailing the abuse Vela inflicted on them.

Martin Dolamore – San Diego, Calif.

Dolamore was sentenced in the Southern District of California to 14 years in federal prison in January 2008. Dolamore admitted to molesting at least eight children over a period of 30 years. He described his strategy for selecting his targets and claimed to be very proficient at pinpointing vulnerable children. He also indicated that he had traveled overseas to have sex with children in the Philippines.

Wendell Newkirk Jr. – Fairdale, Ky.

Newkirk, previously convicted of sexually assaulting a child, was sentenced in the Western District of Kentucky to more than 14 years in federal prison in March 2007. Upon execution of a search warrant, agents found Newkirk to be in possession of hundreds of images of child pornography – including numerous printed images – printouts of stories relating to pedophilia and incest, and minor girls' underwear.

Klifford Rose – Saramento, Calif.

Rose, who was sentenced on May 2008 in the Eastern District of California to 17 and a half years in federal prison, to be served concurrently with a 20 year state sentence, admitted to purchasing access to multiple child pornography websites. He was also found in possession of a handheld video camera with a videotape depicting him sexually assaulting an 8-year old girl who was in his care. As a result, Rose pleaded guilty in federal court to manufacturing child pornography and in state court to sexually assaulting the same victim.

Lee Garling – Dearborn, Mich.

Garling was sentenced in the Eastern District of Michigan to 21 years and 10 months in federal prison in July 2007. Upon execution of a search warrant, Garling was found to be in possession of more than 150,000 images and videos of child pornography. He had also produced a video of his own molestation of a 4-year-old child he was babysitting.

Gregory Blum – Monroe, Wis.

Blum was sentenced in the Western District of Wisconsin in August 2007 to 60 years in federal prison for manufacturing child pornography. Agents seized a laptop computer in Blum's possession which contained over 16,000 images and more than 1,000 videos of child pornography. Among the videos recovered were home videos produced by Blum depicting him sexually assaulting three children aged 3, 4 and 5, which he then uploaded to the Internet. He also admitted sexually assaulting another child approximately 20 years earlier for which he had never been prosecuted.

Rodrigo Omabtang – Springfield, Va.

Omabtang was sentenced in the Eastern District of Virginia to 21 years and 2 months in federal prison in March 2007. Omabtang was found in possession of a video he had produced of himself molesting a 4-year old girl he had been charged with babysitting. Omabtang pleaded guilty to production of child pornography as well as attempted receipt and possession of child pornography.

William Irey – Orlando, Fla.

Irey, the chief executive at a prominent construction firm, was sentenced in the Middle District of Florida to 30 years in federal prison in July 2010. The sentence was mandated by the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals which held that Irey's original sentence of 17 and a half years was insufficient for his "horrific" crimes. Irey began visiting brothels during business trips to Asia and paid to have sex with children between ages 4 and 16. Irey began taking photos of his molestations while in Cambodia where, the Appeals Court noted, he preyed on vulnerable, poverty-stricken girls, had sex with them, sexually tortured them and wrote obscene, degrading words on their bodies. In directing that the lower court imposed the maximum sentence of 30 years, the 11th Circuit noted that Irey engaged in "sexual torture that went far beyond the heartland of depravity even for child molesters," and that Irey had produced "some of the most graphic and disturbing child pornography that has ever turned up on the Internet."

Richard Philhower – Rochester, N.Y.

Philhower was sentenced in the Western District of New York to 12 years in federal prison in June 2009. At the sentencing hearing, the judge determined that Philhower had abused the 5-year old relative of a friend. The abuse only came to light after the defendant's home was searched pursuant to a search warrant and numerous images of child pornography were discovered.

James E. Johnston – Sacramento, Calif.

Johnston was convicted in the Eastern District of California in May 2012, after a five-day federal jury trial, of conspiring to produce child pornography, receipt and possession of child pornography and traveling in foreign with the intent to engage in illicit sexual conduct with minors. Johnston had subscribed to the "Illegal.CP" website in February 2006, at which time he downloaded approximately 300 videos of child pornography, some of which depicted infants and toddlers being sexually molested. In August of 2006, Johnston contacted a woman in the

Phillippines for the purpose of having sex with minor girls, instructing the woman that after he arrived in the Phillippines, she should “bring [him] young girls two of them,” and that she should send pictures of “young ones for [him] to pick from.” ICE agents executed the search warrant before Johnston had an opportunity to meet with these girls in Manila. He is scheduled to be sentenced on July 18, 2012, and faces a minimum sentence of 15 years and a statutory maximum of life in prison.

Michael Hower – Wyoming, Mich.

Hower was sentenced in the Western District of Michigan to 35 years in federal prison in December 2009 for production of child pornography. Upon execution of a search warrant, law enforcement officers recovered photographs of Hower sexually assaulting a 9-year old girl, images which had been produced less than a week prior to the search. Subsequent investigation revealed that Hower had a history of sexually assaulting minor girls including a 4-year old girl and a 6-year old girl. Evidence also demonstrated that Hower had forced his victims to take sleeping pills in an apparent effort to facilitate his molestations.

Paul Gregory Frederick - Phoenixville, Pa.

Frederick was sentenced in January 2010 in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania to five years in federal prison for possession of child pornography, as well as five to 10 years in state prison to run consecutively to the federal sentence. Frederick admitted to sexually assaulting two children under the age of 13 who were in his care at the time.

Robert Bowersox – Portland, Ore.

Bowersox was sentenced in the District of Oregon in March 2009 to 57 months in federal prison, to run concurrently with 20 years in to 20 in state prison. In pleading guilty in state court to two counts of sodomy and one count of sexual abuse in the first degree, Bowersox admitted to abusing a minor girl on multiple occasions. It was discovered that Bowersox had been viewing child pornography for approximately eight years prior to his arrest.

Daniel Eyster – Adamstown, Pa.

Eyster was sentenced in July 2009 in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania to 70 years in federal prison. Eyster had been convicted of a child rape in the 1980s while serving in the Navy, for which he was sentenced to a 10-year term in prison and dishonorably discharged. When the search warrant was executed at his home, agents recovered approximately 75 child pornography images that Eyster had produced in his basement. Eyster admitted to molesting three girls aged 7, 12 and 16 and encouraging 13-year-old boy to participate. Eyster also admitted to providing alcohol to the minors prior to having sexual contact with them, and admitted to numerous molestations in both Pennsylvania and Kentucky. Two additional victims that Eyster molested were identified, including one who was in elementary school at the time of the assaults.

Kirk Demeyer – Mountain Home, Ark.

Demeyer was sentenced in the Western District of Arkansas to 120 years in federal prison in November 2010. Upon execution of the search warrant, law enforcement recovered images produced by Demeyer in his home of a minor female engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

Bryan Dickson – Keller, Texas

Dickson, who was convicted in the Northern District of Texas after trial in June 2009, was sentenced to 70 years in federal prison in October 2009. Dickson had originally been convicted in 1988 in New Jersey for the sexual assault of a child. Upon execution of the search warrant, agents recovered a disk containing numerous images of child pornography. During the search, agents found four pornographic images taken by Dickson of the 1-year old son of a family for whom Dickson had volunteered to babysit.

Craig Aleo – Davisburg, Mich.

Aleo is pending resentencing in the Eastern District of Michigan and faces a minimum of 15 years in federal prison. Among the images recovered from Aleo's home were short video clips showing adults and children in a bathroom which Aleo had surreptitiously recorded. In addition, agents recovered a video of Aleo molesting a 5-year old girl he had helped bathe.

Charles Cooper - Tulsa, Okla.

Cooper was sentenced in the Northern District of Oklahoma to more than 27 years in federal prison in February 2010. Upon execution of the search warrant, law enforcement officials recovered a video produced by Cooper in July of 2008 in which he sexually assaulted the 4-year old daughter of an acquaintance.

Charles Pine – El Paso, Texas

Pine was sentenced in the Western District of Texas to more than 19 years in federal prison in October 2009. It was discovered during the course of the investigation that while living in Mexico, he had sexually assaulted young girls, and had produced multiple videos documenting his sexual assaults on 5-year-old and 7-year-old girls.