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KENNESAW MAN WHO MADE VIDEOS OF BOYS IN PUBLIC RESTROOMS PLEADS GUILTY TO FEDERAL CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES

Jeffrey Alan Wasley Enters 20-year Plea

ATLANTA, GA - JEFFREY ALAN WASLEY, 38, of Kennesaw, Georgia, pleaded guilty today to federal charges of producing child pornography, after he surreptitiously videotaped young boys using public restrooms in Target and Wal-Mart stores in metro Atlanta.

United States Attorney Sally Quillian Yates said, "This case is a sobering reminder that there are troubled and dangerous people in our community who will go to great lengths to gain sexual access to our children. This defendant, while appearing to offer a helping hand to young boys, was secretly exploiting them. Today's guilty plea will ensure that he is kept away from our children for many years to come."

"As parents we strive to maintain the safety and innocence of our children. The Secret Service takes an aggressive approach towards the prevention and investigation of child pornography," said Jeffery T. Gilbert, Special Agent in Charge of the United States Secret Service, Atlanta Field Office. "This case demonstrates our commitment to work with our local law enforcement partners to track down child predators in an effort to keep our communities safe."

According to United States Attorney Yates, the plea agreement and information presented in court: WASLEY, a church youth counselor and former performing magician, would stalk young boys in such large retail establishments as Target and Wal-Mart, as well as children's attractions such as the Foam Factory at American Adventures in Cobb County. When he observed them entering a restroom unaccompanied by an adult, he, too, would enter and surreptitiously videotape the boys using the toilet. He would also typically offer to help the boys pull down their pants and underpants before they used the toilet. There was no evidence of additional inappropriate or illegal contact with the minors.

In July 2008, WASLEY victimized a five and seven year-old pair of brothers in

the men's restroom of a Target store in Kennesaw. These boys reported WASLEY's conduct to their mother, who in turn notified store security. Store security and Cobb County police were able to identify the likely suspect from store surveillance camera footage. When Target store security observed this same individual in the store several days later, they followed him to his car and noted his car's tag number. Cobb County authorities ran the tag and linked it to WASLEY. A subsequent search of WASLEY's home yielded a computer containing six videos WASLEY had produced of boys in public restrooms, along with thousands of additional images of child pornography that WASLEY had downloaded from the internet. The police also recovered the digital camera that WASLEY used to make his videos.

On December 11, 2008, after the forensic review of WASLEY's computer was complete, agents with the United States Secret Service obtained a federal warrant for WASLEY's arrest. A search of WASLEY's home yielded a new computer that had, since the time of the original search, been populated with thousands more downloaded images of child pornography. WASLEY has remained in federal custody since the time of his arrest.

WASLEY will be sentenced by United States District Judge Clarence Cooper on June 10, 2010, at 8:30 a.m. Under the terms of his plea agreement today, WASLEY will be imprisoned for 20 years, followed by a lifetime term of supervised release, to include a provision of no unsupervised contact with minors.

This case is being investigated by Special Agents of the United States Secret Service and officers of the Cobb County Police Department.

Assistant United States Attorney Robert McBurney is prosecuting the case, with assistance from Trial Attorney Andrew McCormack of the Department of Justice's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section.

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