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## **KENNESAW MAN WHO MADE VIDEOS OF BOYS IN PUBLIC RESTROOMS SENTENCED TO 20 YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON**

ATLANTA, GA - JEFFREY ALAN WASLEY, 39, of Kennesaw, Georgia, was sentenced today to a term of 20 years in federal prison, followed by a lifetime of supervised release, for his surreptitious video taping of young boys using public restrooms in Target and Wal-Mart stores in metro Atlanta.

United States Attorney Sally Quillian Yates said, "Children should be able to use a public restroom in a department store without fearing that predators are lurking with video cameras. We are committed to aggressively prosecuting those who prey on children."

"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 Reginald G. Moore, 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."

United States District Court Judge Clarence Cooper sentenced WASLEY to 20 years in prison, followed by a lifetime term of supervised release, to include a provision of no unsupervised contact with minors, and ordered to take part in an extensive sex offender rehabilitation program. He will be required to register as a sex offender. WASLEY pleaded guilty to the charges on March 16, 2010.

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 film 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 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.

In December 2008, after the forensic review of WASLEY's computer was complete, agents with the United States Secret Service arrested WASLEY. A subsequent 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.

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

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

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