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#### GUILTY PLEA IN FEDERAL CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CASE

##### *Saugerties Man Pleads Guilty to Attempted Possession of Child Pornography*

June 18, 2012

[Plattsburgh, New York]—United States Attorney Richard S. Hartunian announced today that RANDALL CLEVENGER, age 60, of Saugerties, New York, pled guilty in U.S. District Court in Albany, NY on June 18, 2012, to one count of Attempted Possession of Child Pornography, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2252A(a)(5)(B), (b)(2) and 2256(8)(A).

In entering his plea, pursuant to a plea agreement, CLEVENGER admitted that he knowingly attempted to possess matter that contained child pornography. In September 2009, CLEVENGER responded to an online advertisement posted by the United States Postal Inspection Service offering child pornography. After responding to that advertisement, CLEVENGER corresponded with undercover postal investigators and eventually ordered a video recording of underage children participating in sexual acts. He was arrested upon delivery of this material and subsequently indicted.

A conviction for Receipt and Possession of Child Pornography carries a maximum sentence of ten (10) years imprisonment and a fine up to \$250,000, in addition to any restitution the Court may order. CLEVENGER is scheduled to be sentenced September 20, 2012 in Albany, New York.

The investigation was conducted by the United States Postal Inspection Service. The case is being prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of New York. Any questions may be directed to Assistant United States Attorney Julie S. Pfluger in Plattsburgh, New York at 518-314-7800.