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NEWS RELEASE

Michael W. Scheftel was charged today by information¹ with a child pornography offense, announced United States Attorney Zane David Memeger. The information alleges that Scheftel possessed child pornography on his computers.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	YEAR OF BIRTH
Michael W. Scheftel	Yardley, Pennsylvania	1969

If convicted of all charges, Scheftel faces a maximum possible sentence of 10 years imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine, a 5 year mandatory minimum and up to a lifetime of supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.

This case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Denise S. Wolf.

¹ An Information is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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