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## **Buffalo man indicted on 7 counts of child pornography**

A 45-year-old Buffalo man was recently indicted in federal court on seven counts of child pornography and was arraigned on Aug. 26.

Jason Dale Gordon was charged with six counts of distribution of child pornography and one count of possession of child pornography. Gordon's indictment alleges he distributed via a computer visual depictions of minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct on Aug. 9, 16, Oct. 5, Oct. 12, Oct. 20, 2008, and on May 24, 2009. It also alleges that on Oct. 27, 2008, Gordon possessed similar material.

If convicted, Gordon faces a potential maximum penalty of 20 years in prison on each distribution count and 10 years on the possession count. All sentences are determined by a federal district court. This case is the result of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Buffalo Police Department. It is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Richard Newberry.

This case is part of Project Safe Childhood (PSC), a national 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, PSC 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 PSC, visit [www.projectsafchildhood.gov](http://www.projectsafchildhood.gov).

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An indictment is a determination by a grand jury that there is probable cause to believe that offenses have been committed by a defendant. A defendant, of course, is presumed innocent until he or she pleads guilty or is proven guilty at trial.