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**NORMAN MAN SENTENCED TO 4 YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR
POSSESSION OF CHILD PORN**

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma – John C. Richter, United States Attorney for the Western District of Oklahoma, announced today that GERALD W. NESBIT, 32, of Norman, Oklahoma, was sentenced today by United States District Judge Timothy D. DeGiusti to serve 48 months in federal prison for possession of child pornography arising out of two separate cases. Nesbit was originally indicted in November of 2007 in the Western District of Oklahoma for possession of child porn. Subsequently, on March 4, 2008, Nesbit was indicted in the Northern District of Oklahoma (Tulsa). Under court rules, the cases were consolidated in Oklahoma City where Nesbit pled guilty to both indictments in April of 2008.

Judge DeGiusti sentenced Nesbit to serve 48 months followed by five years of supervised release on each of the cases, to be served concurrently. Nesbit will also be required to register as a sex offender.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.

The case is the result of an investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jim Robinson.

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