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## **JANESVILLE MAN CHARGED WITH PRODUCING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

Madison, Wisconsin – A federal grand jury in the Western District of Wisconsin, sitting in Madison, returned the following indictment today. You are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

Jeremy C. Schade, 27, of Janesville, Wisconsin, is charged in an eight-count indictment with using minors to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing a visual depiction of such conduct. The indictment alleges that these offenses occurred between the summer of 2002 and October 13, 2006.

If convicted, Schade faces a mandatory minimum penalty of 15 years and a maximum penalty of 30 years in federal prison on each count. The charges against Schade are the result of an investigation by the Janesville Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth Altman.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood. In February 2006, Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales launched Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys' Offices, 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 identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit [www.projectsafefchildhood.gov/](http://www.projectsafefchildhood.gov/).

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