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## **Arizona Resident Sentenced to Ten Years for Possession of Child Pornography**

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA - On January 28, 2014, Shawn Michael Carrico, a 47 year-old resident of Phoenix, Arizona, was sentenced by United States District Court Chief Judge James E. Gritzner to 120 months in prison followed by five years of supervised release for possession of child pornography, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt.

On February 17, 2012, Carrico was stopped by the Iowa State Patrol as he traveled on Interstate 29 through Harrison County, Iowa. The Iowa State Patrol determined that there was an arrest warrant for Carrico from Arizona which led to a subsequent search of his items. In his possession a computer was found that appeared to have several suspicious files on it. When examined later by computer forensic experts, the computer contained images of child pornography. On October 3, 2013, Carrico entered a guilty plea to possession of child pornography.

The investigation was conducted by the Iowa State Patrol, the Harrison County Sheriff's Office and the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigations, Cyber Crime Unit. The case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa.

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