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## **California Man Pleads Guilty to Possession of Child Pornography**

DES MOINES, IA – On March 5, 2015, David Anthony Lavera, age 33, of San Diego, California, plead guilty to federal possession of child pornography charges before U.S. Magistrate Judge Ross Walters, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. Sentencing has been scheduled for June 5, 2015, at 3:00 p.m., before Chief Judge John A. Jarvey at the United States Courthouse in Des Moines, Iowa.

Lavera pled guilty under a plea agreement that calls for him to serve 63 months in federal prison, to be followed by 10 years of supervised release.

As a factual basis for his plea, Lavera admitted that on June 11, 2014, he knowingly possessed child pornography of a minor that he had produced at a residence in Newton, Iowa, using a hidden camera.

Any persons having knowledge of a child being sexually abused, or of a person committing child pornography crimes, are encouraged to call the Iowa Sexual Abuse Hotline at 1-800-284-7821.

The investigation was conducted by the Jasper County Sheriff's Office, the Newton, Iowa, Police Department, the Iowa Department of Criminal Investigation, and Homeland Security Investigations. The case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa.

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