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**FORMER ASSISTANT MANAGER OF THE LAFAYETTE, LA  
GRAND THEATER SENTENCED IN FEDERAL COURT  
ON CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES**

*Defendant receives 40 years in prison and lifetime supervised release*

**Lafayette, La.:** Former Assistant Manager of the Grand Theater in Lafayette, La., was sentenced today in federal court for using a facility in interstate commerce to attempt to coerce a minor to engage in criminal sexual acts, United States Attorney Stephanie A. Finley announced. Daniel James Broussard, 22, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, was sentenced to 40 years in prison and lifetime supervised release. The sentence was imposed by U. S. District Judge Richard Haik.

Broussard pleaded guilty in September 2010, to two counts of using a facility in interstate commerce to attempt to coerce a minor to engage in criminal sexual acts. Broussard was using the internet and text messaging from his cell phone to communicate with minor females. He would meet the minor females on Facebook. After his initial communication, he would then convince the minors to speak to him using a web camera and Skype. During the web camera communications, the defendant would attempt to convince the minors to meet him to engage in sexual activities. He would also ask them to expose themselves using the web camera while he watched.

Several of his internet sessions included one where the defendant convinced a minor female who suffers from Asperger's Syndrome to engage in a sexual act while he watched using a web camera. During the cell phone, text messaging conversations, Broussard discussed, in graphic terms with the minor females, the possibility of meeting them to engage in sexual activities. The defendant admitted that he had engaged in sexually explicit chats using a web camera and Skype with approximately 35 minor females. The defendant further admitted that he discussed meeting the minor females and asked them to take sexually explicit images of themselves.

At sentencing, Judge Haik stated that the defendant was a dangerous predator. He further stated that everyone in Acadiana, and in the rest of the United States, should know that if you choose to exploit children like this defendant did, this is what they will face.

United States Attorney Stephanie A. Finley stated, "Our office has made it a priority to work with our state, local and federal partners to prosecute predators who exploit and abuse children. This case should send a clear message that there are serious consequences for this type of criminal activity."

Special Agent in Charge of Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) in New Orleans, Raymond R. Parmer, Jr., stated, "Sexual predators should know that HSI will do everything in its power and use every tool at its disposal to keep our children safe - whether the potential victims are around the block or around the world."

The case was investigated by Homeland Security Investigations, Lafayette, Louisiana and Tulsa Oklahoma field offices, Lafayette Police Department and Tulsa Police Department. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney John Luke Walker.

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