

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA  
GAINESVILLE DIVISION**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**v.**

**CASE NO: 1:18cr12-MW/GRJ**

**JOSHUA HANSEN**  
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**STATEMENT OF FACTS**

The Defendant admits that were this case to proceed to trial, the government could prove the following facts beyond a reasonable doubt:

On October 12, 2017, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearm (“ATF”) agents executed a search warrant at Joshua Hansen’s residence with assistance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (“FBI”). The search warrants authorized seizure of, among other things, firearm sound suppression devices and electronic devices used to publish videos relating to Hansen’s manufacturing and test firing sound suppression devices. Upon executing a search warrant at Hansen’s residence, ATF agents located and seized a silencer depicted in a May 26, 2017, Facebook video. Agents also located a number of electronic devices and conducted an on-site preview of a number of electronic devices, and seized some of the devices for imaging and review off-site.

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In reviewing data extracted from a thumb drive that appeared to belong to Hansen based on files on the drive, an ATF agent discovered at least three images that appeared to depict child pornography. Based on this information, a task force officer with the FBI obtained a search warrant for the devices in ATF custody and another search warrant for Hansen's residence to search unseized electronic devices for evidence relating to child pornography.

During a subsequent search of Hansen's blue and silver USB thumb drive, SanDisk Ultra USB thumb drive, and internal Western Digital hard drive a forensics analyst located a substantial amount of evidence relating to production and possession of child pornography.

On the blue and silver USB thumb drive, the analyst found eighteen images and one video depicting S.H., a prepubescent female, together with her cousin, Hansen's pre-pubescent daughter A.H. Hansen appears to use A.H. to make S.H. comfortable being nude. The images tend to focus on S.H. primarily. The images depict S.H. and A.H. standing outside exposing their undeveloped breasts and vaginas. The video shows S.H. bent over, and the camera is focused in on her vagina. The photos and video taken were taken with an Apple iPhone 5s and were GPS tagged in the backyard at Hansen's residence. The video and images of S.H. and A.H. were taken on July 7, 2016. The analyst is unable to

determine the make of the USB drive. The Apple iPhone 5s was manufactured in California and Asia.

On the SanDisk Ultra USB thumb drive, the analyst located eleven videos and 161 images containing S.H. and A.H. A number of the videos and images were taken outside in the backyard at Hansen's residence with the Apple iPhone 5s with a slip and slide being used as a prop. Hansen can be seen and heard in the videos talking to the children. The video camera focuses on S.H., sometimes completely ignoring A.H. One of the slip and slide images shows S.H. laying supine and completely nude in supine with both legs spread exposing her breasts, vagina, and anus. A video taken with an Apple iPhone 7+ in 2017 depicts S.H. and A.H. in the shower nude. During the video, Hansen focuses the camera on S.H.'s vagina, and he refers to S.H. by her first name. The Apple iPhone 7+ was manufactured in California and Asia.

The videos and images on the SanDisk Ultra USB thumb drive of S.H. and A.H. were taken between July 7, 2016, and October 10, 2017, when depicting S.H. was between seven and eight years of age and A.H. was between five and six years of age.

The Sandisk Ultra USB thumb drive contains at least 3,927 images and videos depicting child pornography that Hansen appears to have saved. The vast majority of these images appear to have been produced by someone else.

Fifty-five images depict sadomasochistic acts involving children, 391 depict infants or toddlers, and four appear to depict the rape of a child.

On the internal Western Digital hard drive, the analyst also found child pornography. The Western Digital hard drive was used for storage of files only and did not contain an operating system. The drive contained at least 5,110 images and videos depicting child pornography. The vast majority of these images appear to have been produced by someone else. 1,487 depict sadomasochistic acts involving children, and 2,081 depict infants or toddlers. The Western Digital hard drive was manufactured outside the United States.

Child protection services interviewed A.H. and S.H. Both deny that Hansen ever took pictures or videos of them in the nude. S.H. denies that Hansen took any pictures of her whatsoever.

During jail calls with his wife recorded while Hansen was in custody on his firearm suppressor charges, Hansen stated the following:

- “I am addicted to pornography and has led to more things.”
- “My dad before me had the same problems.”
- “Is it the photos or programs? They are going to find photos and programs.”

After his wife learned that Hansen made child pornography using A.H. and S.H., she confronted Hansen on a jail call asking him how could he do this

to his own daughter? Hansen stated “it wasn’t about” their daughter. Hansen’s wife replied, “how could you do that to [S.H.]?” Hansen ignored the question by changing the subject.


### **ELEMENTS**

The elements of a violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 2251(a) and 2251(e) (production of child pornography), which are applicable to Count One of the Information, are as follows:

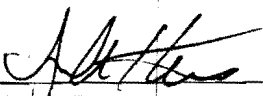
1. an actual minor, that is, a real person who was less than 18 years old, was depicted;
2. the Defendant used, persuaded, induced, enticed, and coerced the minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing a visual depiction of the conduct; and
3. either (a) the Defendant knew or had reason to know that the visual depiction would be mailed or transported in interstate or foreign commerce; (b) the visual depiction was produced using materials that had been mailed, shipped, or transported in interstate or foreign commerce by any means, including by computer; or (c) the visual depiction was mailed or actually transported in interstate or foreign commerce.

The elements of a violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 2251A(a)(5)(B) and (b)(2) (possession of child pornography involving a minor under twelve), which are applicable to Count Two of the Information, are as follows:

1. the Defendant knowingly possessed an item or items of child pornography that depicted a child under the age of 12 years;
2. the item[s] of child pornography had been transported or shipped in interstate or foreign commerce, including by computer; and
3. when the Defendant possessed the item[s], the Defendant believed the item[s] was/were child pornography.

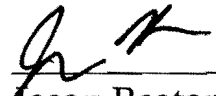
  
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