

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
WICHITA FALLS DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

No. 7:15-MJ-015

RYAN ANTHONY WINNER (01)

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, the undersigned Complainant, being duly sworn, state the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

On or about May 29, 2015, **Ryan Anthony Winner**, knowingly used a minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing a visual depiction of such conduct, using materials that have been mailed, shipped, and transported in and affecting interstate and foreign commerce by any means, including by computer.

Specifically, **Winner** used a silver HP laptop computer to create the following visual depiction of MV1, a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct:

MAH00112.MP4: This file depicts MV1 standing nude in front of a truck. The video was taken outdoors at night and MV1 asks if he can go swimming; a male's voice can be heard saying "mhm." At approximately 4 seconds into the video, the camera zooms in at the child's genitals for approximately five seconds.

In violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2251(a).

INTRODUCTION

1. I am a Special Agent with the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), assigned to the Special Agent in Charge, Dallas, Texas. I have been employed with HSI since November 2007.

As part of my duties as an HSI agent, I investigate criminal violations relating to child exploitation and child pornography, including violations pertaining to the illegal production, transportation, distribution, receipt, and possession of child pornography, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 2251, 2252 and 2252A. I have received training in the area of child pornography and child exploitation, and have had the opportunity to observe and review numerous examples of child pornography (as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 2256) in all forms of media, including computer media. I have been involved in numerous child pornography investigations and am very familiar with the tactics used by child pornography offenders who collect and distribute child pornographic material.

2. As a federal agent, I am authorized to investigate violations of the laws of the United States and to execute warrants issued under the authority of the United States.

3. This affidavit sets forth facts and suggest reasonable inferences from those facts, establishing that there is probable cause to believe that on or about May 29, 2015, in the Northern District of Texas, **Ryan Anthony Winner** committed the offense of Production of Child Pornography, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2251(a), which makes it a crime for any person to employ, persuade, induce or coerce a minor to engage in any sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing a visual depiction of such conduct.

4. The information contained in this affidavit is from my personal knowledge of the described investigation and from information obtained from other law enforcement agents.

OVERVIEW OF INVESTIGATION

5. In December of 2014, an undercover Police Officer with the Queensland Police Service (Brisbane, Queensland, Australia) identified a profile on a website known by law enforcement to be used extensively by persons interested in exchanging images depicting child pornography to meet and become trading partners. The user, identified by username as "KARLABOW," had created albums labeled as "My Son," which all depicted images of the same minor male. The undercover officer observed comments of the images in the albums, which suggested the commenters and KARLABOW had a sexual interest in the child. While viewing the profile, the undercover officer also observed the e-mail address associated with the account; krlabw@live.com.

6. The undercover officer sent an email to krlabw@live.com and the user responded and provided passwords to the protected photo albums. The individual stated the minor male depicted in the photos was his son, and he has many more photos to trade. This information was forwarded to the HSI Cyber Crimes Center (C3) for consideration. C3 sent a DHS summons to Microsoft Corporation for basic subscriber information related to the e-mail account krlabw@live.com and Microsoft responded and provided basic subscriber information, to include IP logs. C3 analyzed the IP logs and determined the IP addresses geolocated to the Olney, Young County, Texas, area; the IPs also indicated the Internet Service Providers associated with the user were Verizon Wireless, Suddenlink Communications, and Brazos Internet.

This information was subsequently forwarded to the HSI Dallas field office for further action.

7. I reviewed the information HSI Dallas received from C3 regarding the e-mail address krlabw@live.com, and on June 22, 2015, I submitted a Technical Assistance Request to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) for krlabw@live.com. I included all IP addresses associated with the e-mail address from March 4, 2015, until June 3, 2015. NCMEC responded and informed me of another incident in which Microsoft Corporation had reported that a subscriber at IP address 64.72.53.172 had uploaded 8 files (4 of which were unique) containing suspected child pornography using a Microsoft e-mail account identified as latrosis@hotmail.com. In addition to the child pornographic images, Microsoft also provided basic subscriber information, which indicated **Ryan Winner** created the account. I served an administrative DHS summons to Suddenlink for the subscriber for IP address associated with the upload of child pornography; Suddenlink responded and advised the subscriber was S.W., [redacted] Hillcrest Dr, Olney, TX, 76374. I conducted open source Internet queries and determined S.W. is **Ryan Winner's** father.

8. I conducted surveillance at [redacted] Hillcrest and observed **Ryan Winner** at the residence on multiple occasions. I also observed **Ryan Winner** at his residence, located at [redacted] Mockingbird Lane, Apartment 4C, Olney, Texas 76374.

9. On July 16, 2105, I obtained federal search warrants for [redacted] Mockingbird Lane, Apartment 4C, Olney, Texas 76374 and [redacted] Hillcrest Drive, Olney, TX, 76374; the search warrants were executed on July 20, 2015. At approximately 6:45 AM on July 20, 2015, I made contact with **Winner** as he left his residence. I advised **Winner** of his *Miranda* rights, and **Winner** waived his rights and agreed to speak with me. **Winner** stated he believed agents were searching his home because of a website he has been frequenting and posting pictures. **Winner** stated he did not believe any of the photos he had posted were illegal.

10. **Winner** advised he has a sexual attraction to males between the ages of 7 and 13 and admitted taking photos of MV1 (Minor Victim 1), a minor male in his Sunday school class; he stated agents would locate files on his computer depicting sexual encounters between him and MV1. **Winner** stated that he did not have Internet access in his home and used the Internet at his father's home on Hillcrest Drive. He also stated that his computer, a silver HP laptop, containing the relevant files would be located at his father's home. **Winner** advised me that those files on his laptop were hidden in folders deep in the computer to avoid detection by his wife. **Winner** attempted to describe the file path for the files containing MV1 and other child pornography he downloaded from the Internet. I contacted HSI Computer Forensic Agent Jose Delgado, who was assisting in the execution of the federal search warrant at [redacted] Hillcrest Drive in Olney, Texas.

11. I provided the information to CFA Delgado, and he located the folder **Winner** had described. The images were located on the silver HP laptop. CFA Delgado described video files depicting **Winner** and MV1 swimming in the nude at night; the videos also depicted the lewd and lascivious display of the minor male's genitals.

12. I advised **Winner** of the videos, and **Winner** explained he had taken MV1 camping recently, and they went "skinny dipping." **Winner** acknowledged "kissing and touching" MV1.

13. I drove to [redacted] Hillcrest Drive and watched the videos depicting **Winner** and the minor victim; two of which are described below:

MAH00112.MP4

Last Accessed: 5/30/15 12:07 PM

File Created: 5/29/15 9:18 PM

Last Written: 5/29/15 9:18 PM

This file depicts the minor victim standing nude in front of a truck. The video was taken outdoors at night and MV1 asks if he can go swimming; a male's voice can be heard saying "mhm." At approximately 4 seconds into the video, the camera zooms in on MV1's genitals for approximately five seconds. The video is approximately 15 seconds in length.

MOV05312.AVI

Last Accessed: 5/10/14 9:25 PM

File Created: 6/13/13 12:45 AM

Last Written: 6/10/15 6:29 AM

This file depicts MV1 standing nude in a bathtub. MV1 is holding a plastic container and says, "Oh look, what's this?" An adult male's voice can be heard saying, "It's a thing for washing your hair." The camera then focuses on MV1's genitals for approximately 2 seconds. The video is approximately 12 seconds in length.

14. On July 20, 2015, I met MV1, who is currently eight years old. Based on my training and experience, I determined the files identified as **MAH00112.MP4** created on or about May 29, 2015, and MOV05312.AVI created on or about June 13, 2013, depict the sexual abuse of a prepubescent minor male and therefore contain child pornography as defined by 18 U.S.C. § 2256.

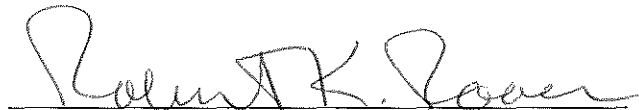
15. The silver HP laptop computer, SN CNF04885HL, was manufactured in China. Therefore, **Winner** produced a visual depiction of child pornography using material that was mailed, shipped, and transported in and affecting interstate and foreign commerce by any means, including by computer.

CONCLUSION

16. Based on the foregoing facts and circumstances, I respectfully submit that there is probable cause to believe that on May 29, 2015, in the Northern District of Texas, **Ryan Anthony Winner** committed the offense of Production of Child Pornography, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §2251(a).


Amanda Johnson
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Department of Homeland Security Investigations

Subscribed and sworn before me this 21 st day of July, 2015.


HONORABLE ROBERT K. ROACH
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE