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Federal Court Sentences Former Davenport Man on Child Enticement Charge

DAVENPORT, IA - On July 17, 2014, Jesse Dewayne Moore, age 26, formerly of Davenport, was sentenced by United States District Court Judge Stephanie M. Rose to 120 months imprisonment, after pleading guilty to coercion and enticement of a minor, announced United States Attorney Nicholas A. Klinefeldt. Moore was also ordered to serve ten years of supervised release following the imprisonment and pay \$100 towards the Crime Victims Fund. Moore will also be required to register as a sex offender.

On multiple occasions, staff members of the Internet website, meetme.com, reported instances of what appeared to be sexually explicit images of an individual purporting to be a juvenile from Davenport, Iowa. This information was forwarded to the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation who used records to identify this subject as Jesse Dewayne Moore. At approximately the same time, the Davenport, Iowa, Police Department was conducting an investigation concerning an adult suspect making inappropriate contact with a 13 year old minor. The minor reported meeting Moore on the website, meetme.com, and corresponding with Moore by text messaging. Law enforcement officers obtained a search warrant for text messages off of Moore's cellular phone. This search warrant found a large number of text SMS messaging between Moore's phone number and the minor's phone number. In these text messages, Moore makes numerous references to his desire to have sex with and perform sex acts on the minor. These text messages include a series of texts on January 2, 2013 that discussed arrangements to meet at the library. Later on that same day, the text messages from Moore's number discussed whether the minor enjoyed giving him oral sex. The text messages also discussed future plans to meet for more oral sex and actual sexual intercourse. Moore later admitted that he posed as a 14 to 15 year old male on the meetme.com website, that he used this website and later his cellphone to make contact with a minor he knew was only 13 years old. Moore admitted that he made arrangements to meet this minor at a Davenport library, and later that day Moore had sexually explicit contact with the minor.

This case was investigated by the Davenport, Iowa, Police Department and the Iowa Department of Public Safety, Division of Criminal Investigations. The case was prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Iowa as part of the Project Safe Child initiative.

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