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KC-NORTH MAN INDICTED FOR POSSESSING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for possession of child pornography.

James Michael Kinkade, 51, of Kansas City, Mo., was charged in a two-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that on June 24, 2003, **Kinkade** was in possession of one or more films, videotapes, and other matter that depicted minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

Count Two of the federal indictment is a forfeiture count, which would require **Kinkade** to forfeit to the United States any property used in the commission of the offense alleged in Count One, including an IBM computer, an IBM hard drive and 21 computer disks.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Katharine Fincham. It was investigated by the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at

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