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## SPRINGFIELD, MO., MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO CHILD PORN CHARGES

**SPRINGFIELD, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Springfield, Mo., man pleaded guilty in federal court today to illegal possession of child pornography.

**William Larry McAnally**, 59, of Springfield, Mo., pleaded guilty before U.S. District Court Judge Richard E. Dorr this morning to possessing child pornography.

By pleading guilty, **McAnally** admitted that he was in possession of a computer hard drive that contained three or more images of child pornography on Dec. 12, 2001. He also admitted that he obtained the child pornography by downloading it from the Internet.

**McAnally** was originally charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Oct. 16, 2003, in Springfield, Mo.

Under federal law, Graves explained, **McAnally** may be subject to a maximum sentence of up to 10 years in federal prison without parole, plus a fine up to \$250,000. His sentence will be determined according to the United States Sentencing Guidelines. A sentencing hearing will be scheduled after the completion of a presentence investigation by the United States Probation Office.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Rose A. Barber. It was investigated by the Greene County, Mo., Sheriff's Department, the Phoenix, Ariz., Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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