

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## FULTON MAN ARRESTED, INDICTED FOR POSSESSING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

**JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Fulton, Mo., man was arrested today for possessing child pornography.

**Jack Wayne Rogers**, 58, of Fulton, Mo., was arrested this morning following an indictment, which was returned under seal by a federal grand jury on April 5, 2003, in Jefferson City. The indictment was unsealed and made public upon **Rogers**' initial appearance in federal court this morning.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that from an unknown date until March 18, 2003, in Callaway County, Mo., **Rogers** possessed computer files containing visual depictions of persons under the age of 18 engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

Count Two of the federal indictment would require **Rogers** to forfeit to the United States the images and the property used to commit the offense, including an eMachine computer and a Hewlett-Packard Pavilion Notebook computer.

Among other things, the affidavit reveals that **Rogers** was receiving child pornography via the Internet.

**Rogers** appeared in federal court today in Jefferson City and will remain in custody at least until his detention hearing at 10 a.m. on Monday, April 14, 2003.

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.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Lawrence E. Miller. It was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Fulton, Mo., Police Department, the Missouri State Technical Assistance Team and the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

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