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JOHNSTOWN MAN SENTENCED FOR CHILD PORN



JOHNSTOWN, Colo. (Weld County D.A.) – Today in Weld County District Court, a Johnstown man was sentenced to six years in prison in a child pornography case involving more than 20 images of boys under the age of 10.

Ira William McCrea, 31, of Johnstown, plead guilty to two counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Child, class 4 felonies. He was sentenced to six years in the Department of Corrections followed by 10 years of Sex Offender Intensive Supervised Probation (SOISP). He must also register as a sex offender upon release from prison.

Weld County Deputy District Attorney Brynne Gant prosecuted the case.

According to the affidavit, the investigation sparked after the victim's mother found nude images of her son on McCrea's iPad. The victim was six-years-old at the time of the arrest. Officers also found images of McCrea's ex-girlfriend's son on his iPhone.

Additionally, investigators found a video of two young juveniles masturbating one another on a laptop, which McCrea tried to destroy as police issued a search warrant of his home.

"Mr. McCrea took advantage of some of the most vulnerable people in our society," said District Attorney Michael Rourke. "I urge community members to come forward if they ever suspect this type of behavior happening in our neighborhoods. We must do everything we can to protect the innocent, especially children."

McCrea was immediately sentenced to DOC.

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The filing of a criminal charge is merely a formal accusation that an individual(s) committed a crime(s) under Colorado laws. A defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. See Colo. RPC 3.6