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Child Pornography Arrest

Bloomington, IL - On 07/12/23, Wesley Noonan was indicted for 59 counts of possession of child pornography, related to an investigation by the Bloomington Police Department (BPD) Cyber Crimes Unit. This case began when BPD inspectors with the Illinois State Police Drug Task Force 6 and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) conducted a narcotics related search warrant. During the course of the investigation, Noonan's cellular telephone was found to contain child pornography. The telephone was transferred to the BPD for a continued investigation which led to the recent indictment.

On 7/12/23, Brad Carter was indicted in an unrelated case for 8 counts of dissemination of child pornography and 13 counts of possession of child pornography. The investigation began when an instant messaging service made a report, to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, regarding the uploading and sharing of videos believed to be child sex abuse material. Detectives with the BPD Criminal Investigations Division executed a search warrant at Carter's residence and seized a cellular telephone belonging to Carter. During the course of the investigation, more images of child sex abuse material was located. Noonan was arrested on 07/13/23.

Chief Jamal Simington stated, "Sex crime allegations are the worst crime type for any child to experience and causes devastation for a lifetime. I applaud the investigative efforts of BPD's well-trained and diligent detectives. Their focus and tenacity holds sex offenders accountable as we aim to do our part to make justice a reality. I would also like to thank the Illinois State Police, the DEA, and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children for their collaboration in these cases."

ARRESTED: Wesley Noonan, 49, Bloomington Illinois
- Possession of Child Pornography

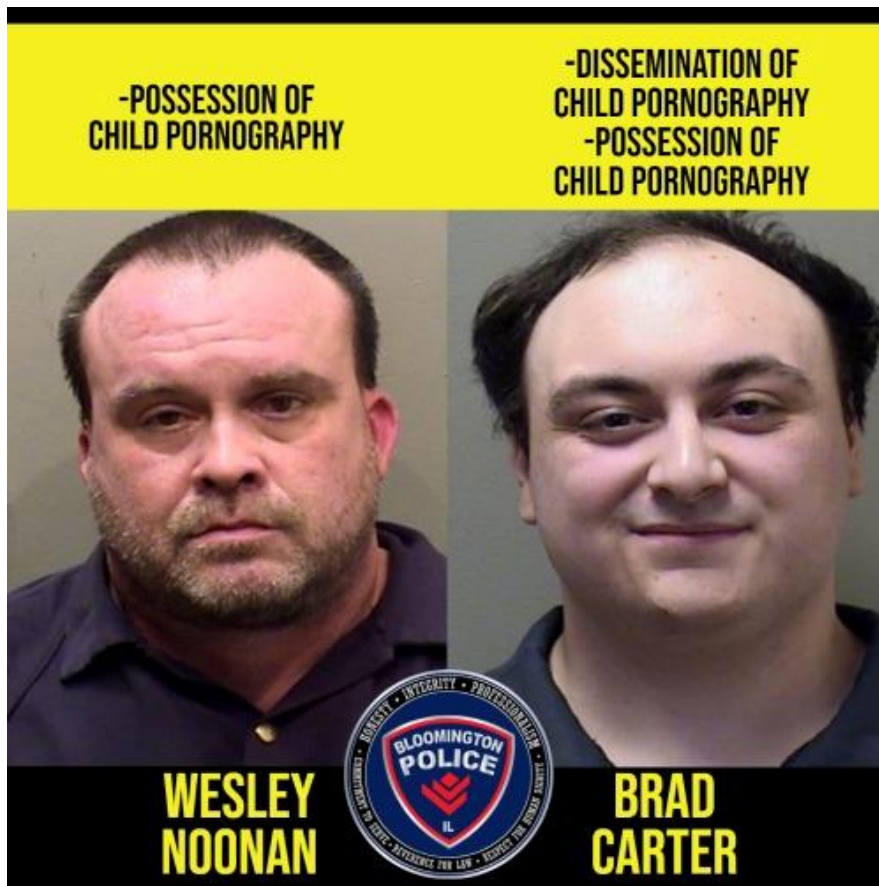
ARRESTED: Brad Carter, 23, Normal Illinois
- Dissemination of Child Pornography
- Possession of Child Pornography

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The circumstances behind these incidents are still pending investigation. Anyone with information should contact Detective Paul Swanlund at 309-434-2373, pswanlund@cityblm.org, or the Bloomington Police Department at 309-820-8888.

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If you wish to submit a crime tip and remain anonymous, please contact the Crime & Intelligence Analysis Unit (CIAU) at 309-434-2963 or email CIAU@cityblm.org. You can also text the number 847411 by texting the word "BPDTIPS", then a space, followed by your tip information.

The CIAU office is staffed from 8am-4:30pm, weekdays. If no one is available to answer your call, please leave the information on the voicemail or send it by e-mail.

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