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FATHER AND SON FROM GLENSIDE ARRESTED FOR POSSESSING AND DISTRIBUTING SEXUALLY EXPLICIT IMAGES OF CHILDREN



Harry F. Ennis



Patrick H. Ennis

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (Aug. 17, 2017) — Montgomery County District Attorney Kevin R. Steele, Abington Township Police Chief John Livingood and the Pennsylvania Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force announce the arrest of Harry F. Ennis, 68, and Patrick H. Ennis, 29, of Edge Hill Road in Glenside, for felony charges related to Sexual Abuse of Children/Child Pornography.

On April 13, 2017, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received a cybertip report from AOL, Inc., regarding the uploading of 27 images that appeared to be child pornography. The IP address was traced to Edge Hill Road, where both Ennis' lived. A search warrant was executed, and the 27 files were found to be uploaded from a computer in Patrick Ennis' bedroom. A computer and electronic devices were also secured from Harry Ennis' office. A forensic examination of Harry Ennis' electronics found more than 600 sexually explicit image files and two sexually explicit video files. Upon review, the files were determined to depict children under the age of 18 engaged in sexual acts and/or sexually explicit poses.

Patrick Ennis was arrested and charged with Sexual Abuse of Children/ Dissemination, Sexual Abuse of Children/Child Pornography and Criminal Use of a Communications Facility. He was arraigned before Magisterial District Judge John D. Kessler, who set bail at \$25,000 cash. Patrick Ennis posted bail and was released.

Harry Ennis was arrested and charged with 100 counts of Sexual Abuse of Children/Child Pornography. He was arraigned before Magisterial District Judge William I. Maruszczak, who set bail at \$75,000 cash. He failed to make bail and was remanded to the Montgomery County Correctional Facility.

A joint preliminary hearing for both defendants is scheduled for 10:30 a.m., Aug.24, 2017 before Magisterial District Judge Juanita A. Price. The case will be prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Matthew Brittenburg.

Major Crimes Detectives of the Montgomery County Detective Bureau, along with specially trained and sworn detectives from police departments in Montgomery County, routinely work with the ICAC Task Force to protect children from Internet predators by aggressively and proactively investigating Internet crimes that exploit children.

Approved for release:

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