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**HAWAII COUNTY RESIDENT INDICTED FOR CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

HONOLULU – Attorney General Doug Chin announced today that Joshua Iwasaki has been indicted for two counts of promoting child abuse in the second degree and one count of promoting child abuse in the third degree for possessing videos of child sexual abuse on three separate digital media devices.

**Attorney General Chin** said of the indictment: “This is a heinous offense and we will continue to seek out and prosecute anyone engaging in this disgusting and destructive behavior.”

Iwasaki is accused of possessing at least thirty videos of children being sexually exploited, with at least one depicting children under the age of twelve. The investigation was conducted by the Hawaii Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force in the Attorney General’s office in conjunction with Homeland Security Investigations and the Hawaii County Police Department.

Iwasaki is a 36-year old Honokaa resident with no prior convictions. A Hawaii Island grand jury indicted him for: two counts of promoting child abuse in the second degree, which is a class B felony, punishable by up to ten years in prison; and one count of promoting child abuse in the third degree, which is a class C felony, punishable by up to five years in prison. Bail is set at \$12,000.00 and a bench warrant has been issued for Iwasaki’s arrest.

Iwasaki is presumed innocent unless and until he is found guilty of the charges beyond a reasonable doubt. A copy of the indictment is attached.

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## INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges:

COUNT 1: On or about the 17<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014, in the County and State of Hawaii, JOSHUA IWASAKI, knowing or having reason to know its character and content, did possess thirty or more images of any form of child pornography, and the content of at least one image contained a minor who is younger than the age of twelve, and/or sadomasochistic abuse of a minor, and/or bestiality involving a minor, to wit digital media files contained on an Iomega External Hard Drive serial number TJA9420C0E, thereby committing the offense of Promoting Child Abuse in the Second Degree in violation of Section 707-751(1)(e) of the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

If convicted of this offense or any included felony offense, JOSHUA IWASAKI may be subject to sentencing in accordance with Section 706-661 and Section 706-662(4)(a) of the Hawaii Revised Statutes where he is a multiple offender in that he is being sentenced for two or more felonies or is already under sentence of imprisonment for any felony, and an extended term of imprisonment is necessary for the protection of the public.

COUNT 2: On or about the 17<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014, in the County and State of Hawaii, JOSHUA IWASAKI, knowing or having reason to know its character and content, did possess thirty or more images of any form of child pornography, and the content of at least one image contained a minor who is younger than the age of twelve, and/or sadomasochistic abuse of a minor, and/or bestiality involving a minor, to wit digital media files contained on a Buffalo External Hard Drive serial number 80158944200874, thereby committing the offense of Promoting Child Abuse in the Second Degree in violation of Section 707-751(1)(e) of the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

If convicted of this offense or any included felony offense, JOSHUA IWASAKI may be subject to sentencing in accordance with Section 706-661 and Section 706-662(4)(a) of the Hawaii Revised Statutes where he is a multiple offender in that he is being sentenced for two or more felonies or is already under sentence of imprisonment for any felony, and an extended term of imprisonment is necessary for the protection of the public.

COUNT 3: On or about the <sup>7</sup>~~15~~<sup>September</sup> day of ~~May~~, 2014, in the County and State of Hawaii, JOSHUA IWASAKI, knowing or having reason to know its character and content, did possess child pornography, to wit digital media files contained on a Maxor External Hard Drive serial number 2CAV43LN, thereby committing the offense of Promoting Child Abuse in the Third Degree in violation of Section 707-752(1)(a) of the Hawaii Revised Statutes.


If convicted of this offense or any included felony offense, JOSHUA IWASAKI may be subject to sentencing in accordance with Section 706-661 and Section 706-662(4)(a) of the Hawaii Revised Statutes where he is a multiple offender in that he is being sentenced for two or more felonies or is already under sentence of imprisonment for any felony, and an extended term of imprisonment is necessary for the protection of the public.

DATED: Kealahou, Hawaii, September 11, 2017.

A TRUE BILL



ALBERT COOK  
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Foreperson