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## MINOCQUA MAN SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR POSSESSING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

MADISON, WIS. - Scott C. Blader, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Matthew Kummer, 49, Minocqua, Wisconsin, pleaded guilty and was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge William M. Conley to 10 years in federal prison for possessing child pornography. This term of imprisonment will be followed by 15 years of supervised release.

On October 27, 2019, law enforcement officers executed a search warrant at Kummer's Minocqua home and seized laptops, hard drives, and miscellaneous storage devices. Law enforcement analyzed some of these devices and found more than 17,000 images of child pornography. Additionally, law enforcement found videos Kummer had surreptitiously taken of young children in swimsuits at parks, beaches, and amusement parks.

The 10-year sentence was based on the defendant's prior child pornography conviction, the huge number of images he possessed, and the fact that he was secretly filming young children.

The charge against Kummer was the result of an investigation conducted by the Oneida County Sheriff's Office, Wisconsin Department of Justice Division of Criminal Investigation, and Rhinelander, Minocqua, and Woodruff Police Departments. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth Altman.

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