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## SHALER MAN CHARGED WITH POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

**Pittsburgh PA ----** Sheriff Kevin M. Kraus announced today that a Shaler man has been charged with several counts of possession of child pornography.

The investigation involving 32-year-old Andrew Britsch began following a tip received by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The tip indicated that suspected child pornography files were being uploaded by a user whose address was determined to be in Shaler.

A subsequent search warrant was executed on the home where Britsch lives and included the seizing of an iPhone belonging to Britsch. After the phone was forensically analyzed by the FBI, detectives from our office reviewing the analysis and located a number of video files containing suspected child pornography involving children under the age of 18.

Britsch surrendered to detectives from our office on Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at the office of Magisterial District Judge Daniel Konieczka. Britsch was arraigned on 5 counts of possession of child pornography and faces a preliminary hearing on September 26, 2024.

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