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Former Cinnaminson Resident Charged with Possessing and Distributing Child Pornography

Burlington County Prosecutor Scott Coffina announced that a former resident of Cinnaminson has been charged with possessing and distributing child pornography while living in the township late last year.

Robert B. Kesling, 34, who presently lives in the first block of Washington Street in Harrison, Hudson County, was charged with three counts of Endangering the Welfare of a Child. Two of those involved distribution of child pornography and were second degree, while the other charge involved possession of child pornography and was third degree.

The investigation began when the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office High-Tech Crimes Unit received intelligence from the Camden County Prosecutor's Office High-Tech Crimes Unit that Kesling was sharing child pornography online in October 2017 while living in Cinnaminson, including videos and images of a pre-pubescent girl involved in sex acts with men and animals.

Kesling was taken into custody without incident at his residence on April 3 by detectives from the BCPO High-Tech Crimes Unit and the New Jersey State Police. A search warrant was previously executed at the home of a relative in Cinnaminson where Kesling had resided by investigators from the Prosecutor's Office, the Cinnaminson Township Police Department, the New Jersey State Police, and the United States Immigrations and Customs Enforcement's Homeland Security Investigations.

Multiple electronic devices were seized and will be analyzed by detectives from the BCPO High-Tech Crimes Unit.

The case will be presented to a Burlington County Grand Jury to be considered for indictment. Kesling will be prosecuted by Assistant Prosecutor Stephen Eife, supervisor of the BCPO Sexual Assault/Child Abuse Unit.

The investigation was conducted by the BCPO High-Tech Crimes Unit, which is a member of the New Jersey State Police Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force and the New Jersey State Police Cyber Terrorism Task Force. The lead investigator was BCPO High-Tech Crimes Unit Detective Kevin Sobotka.

All persons are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.