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**ATTORNEY GENERAL RAOUL: MCHENRY COUNTY MAN CHARGED WITH REPRODUCTION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

**Chicago** — Attorney General Kwame Raoul today announced as part of the Attorney General's ongoing efforts to apprehend offenders who download and trade child pornography online that a McHenry County man was charged with reproducing child pornography.

David P. Stone, 28, of McHenry, Ill., was charged in McHenry County Circuit Court with 10 counts of reproducing child pornography, which are Class X felonies punishable by up to 60 to 120 years in prison. Stone's bond was set at \$300,000, and he was ordered not to have contact with minors under the age of 18 or use the internet for illicit or unlawful purposes.

"Child pornography is an absolutely reprehensible crime, and the individuals who reproduce these horrific images must be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law," Raoul said. "My office will continue to partner with local law enforcement to locate and hold these offenders accountable."

Raoul's investigators, with the assistance of the McHenry Police Department and the McHenry County state's attorney's office, conducted a search of a residence on Wednesday, Sept. 30, in the 5900 block of Bluegrass Trail in McHenry and arrested Stone after evidence of alleged child pornography was discovered.

"The McHenry Police Department considers its partnerships with the Attorney General's office and the McHenry County State's Attorney's office invaluable," said McHenry Police Chief John Birk. "The cooperation with these agencies allows us to vigorously pursue these types of investigations and bring appropriate charges against offenders"

"We are pleased that the result of this investigation led us to approve charges for this incredibly heinous offense," said McHenry County State's Attorney Patrick D. Kenneally. "Child pornography and other offenses like it are not victimless crimes and have a lasting negative impact on those depicted as well as the community as a whole."

The public is reminded that the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

The arrest is part of Attorney General Raoul's work to investigate and prosecute child pornographers in Illinois. Raoul's office, with a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, runs the [Illinois Internet Crimes Against Children \(ICAC\) Task Force](#) that investigates child exploitation crimes and trains law enforcement agencies. Since 2006, the Attorney General's ICAC Task Force has been involved in more than 1,700 arrests of sexual predators. The task force has also provided internet safety training and education to more than 950,000 parents, teachers and students and more than 22,000 law enforcement professionals.