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## Attorney General Steve Marshall Announces Conviction of Baldwin County Man on Multiple Charges of Possession of Child Pornography

(MONTGOMERY) — Attorney General Steve Marshall announced the conviction of a Baldwin County Man on multiple charges of possession of child pornography. John Robert Prochazka, 58, of Foley, pleaded guilty yesterday in Baldwin County Circuit Court to 12 counts of possession of obscene matter.

Prochazka was sentenced to 10 years, which was split for him to serve one year in the Baldwin County Jail, followed by three years of supervised probation. He was taken immediately into custody. Upon his release, he will be required to register as a sex offender and abide by all requirements of Alabama's Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act.

"Possession of child pornography is a devastating crime, damaging our society and wreaking terrible harm to the children who are its most tragic victims," said Attorney General Marshall. "It is important that we stop it wherever we can, and send a message that those who break this law will be held to account and punished for their crimes."

Attorney General Marshall commended his Criminal Trials Division for its successful prosecution of this case, noting in particular Assistant Attorneys General Tara Ratz and Jillian Evans, as well as the Cybercrime Unit of his Investigations Division.



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