



State of New Mexico
Department of Public Safety

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**State Police Arrest Man in Under Age
Pornography Case**

Santa Fe-- Agents of the New Mexico State Police Online Predator Unit arrested Patrick Railsback on a federal warrant at his residence in Santa Fe. Railsback is charged with 5 Counts of Receipt of Visual depictions of Minors Engaged in Sexually Explicit Conduct and 2 Counts of Possession of Matter containing Visual Depictions of Minors Engaged in Sexually Explicit Conduct as the result of a December 2007 State Police investigation that began as a cybertip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

The Railsback case is being prosecuted by the US Attorney's Office in Federal Court in Albuquerque as part of the Project Safe Childhood Initiative. He was arrested Tuesday morning, September 15th, without incident.

Project Safe Childhood is a nationwide initiative to coordinate federal, state, and local law enforcement resources to investigate and prosecute child exploitation cases and rescue the victims of those crimes.

The **New Mexico State Police Online Predator Unit** was formed as part of an initiative by New Mexico Governor Bill Richardson to address concerns of New Mexico Children being exploited on the internet. The New Mexico State Police Online Predator Unit is affiliated with the New Mexico Internet Crimes against Children (ICAC) Task Force.

The **ICAC Task Force** Program was created to help State and local law enforcement agencies enhance their investigative response to offenders who use the Internet, online communication systems, or other computer technology to sexually exploit children. The program is currently composed of 59 regional Task Force agencies and is funded by the United States Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

Receipt of a Visual Depiction of Minors Engaged in Sexually Explicit Conduct carries a mandatory 5 year term of imprisonment, up to 20 years imprisonment, up to a life time of supervised release

and up to a \$250,000 fine. Possession of a Visual Depiction of a Minor Engaged in Sexually Explicit Conduct carries up to 10 years imprisonment, up to a lifetime of supervised release and up to a \$250,000 fine.

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Patrick Railsback
DOB 9/16/1951