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Ex-ICE Contractor Gets Prison in Child Porn Case

A former Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) contract employee was sentenced on January 2, 2013 to five years in prison for possession, transportation and distribution of child pornography.

On August 31, 2010, the DHS OIG, Washington Field Office received a report from the ICE Joint Intake Center regarding the execution of a search warrant by the Montgomery County Police Department (MCPD) on the residence of Christopher Andrew Myers, a Telecommunications Specialist (Contractor) in the ICE Office of Chief Information Officer as part of an ongoing investigation into the receipt and distribution of child pornography. Myers resigned from his position as ICE Contractor in August 2010 as a direct result of this investigation.

On June 9, 2011, based on a joint investigation conducted by the OIG and MCPD, Myers was arrested on a Maryland State warrant and charged with violating 1 count of Maryland Code 11-207(a)(4)- Child Pornography Promote/Distribute and 1 count of 11-208(a)(1)(2)(3)- Possession of Child Pornography.

On November 16, 2011, Myers was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury in the United States District Court for the District of Maryland (Greenbelt) indicted Myers on 3 Federal counts of Child Pornography: 1 count of 18 USC 2252A(a)(2) – Distribution of Child Pornography; 1 count of 18 USC 2252A(a)(5)(B) – Possession of Child Pornography; and 1 count of 18 USC 2252A – Transportation of Child Pornography. All Maryland State charges were vacated in lieu of Federal prosecution.

On July 30, 2012, after a four-day jury trial in United States District Court, Myers was found guilty on all 3 counts. On January 2, 2013, U.S. District Judge Roger W. Titus, sentenced Myers to five years in prison for each count (to be served concurrently) followed by 60 months of supervised release. Upon his release from prison, Myers must register as a sex offender.

Mark Tasky, Assistant Special Agent in Charge of the OIG's Washington Field Office and an expert in computer forensics, was credited with a major role in the successful prosecution of Myers.