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Spartanburg Sheriff Arrests Local Man In Internet Predator Sting

Columbia - Attorney General Henry McMaster announced today that Christopher Alan Greene, 28, of 447 Monks Corner Church Road in Spartanburg, was arrested on October 26, 2006, in an undercover Internet sting conducted by the Spartanburg County Sheriff's Office.

The Spartanburg County Sheriff's Office is a partner in the Attorney General's Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force.

Greene was arrested on two (2) count of Criminal Solicitation of a Minor (§ 16-15-342), a felony offense punishable to ten (10) years imprisonment on each count.

Arrest warrants allege that Greene twice used a computer webcam to solicit sex and demonstrate sex acts on the Internet with two (2) separate individuals he believed to be thirteen (13) year old girls. In reality, he was communicating with an undercover Spartanburg County Sheriff's Deputy. The online sex acts allegedly took place on August 29, 2006, and September 8, 2006.

A search warrant was executed at Greene's residence on October 26, and resulted in the seizure, of a computer, a webcam, and other computer-related equipment.

Greene's bond was set at \$75,000.

The case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

McMaster stressed that all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty in a court of law.