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Press Release

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### **DeKalb Police Announce Child Pornography Arrest**

On Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019, at approximately 8:37 am, the DeKalb Police Department assisted the Illinois Attorney General's Office with serving a search warrant at an apartment located in 1100 Block of W. Lincoln Highway, DeKalb. The Illinois Attorney General's Office obtained the search warrant for the residence after the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received a report about a child pornography image. The Illinois Attorney General's Office investigation led to probable cause to believe child pornography would be located at the residence of suspect, Brenton Strobert.

During the search, numerous images of child pornography were located. Additionally, investigators came upon suspicious materials that gave cause for concern. The Kane County Sheriff's Office Bomb Squad, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and the Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms Agency (ATF) responded to assist with the identification of the material, and the proper handling of it. Upon their arrival, they deemed the materials safe to handle and remove from the property and found there to be no safety concern to building tenants.

The materials were transported to a remote area in DeKalb where through the supervision of the FBI, ATF, DeKalb Fire Department, and the Kane County Bomb Squad, the materials were destroyed in a safe manner. The investigation into the materials located in Strobert's residence is ongoing at this time.

Strobert was located at his place of employment and arrested by DeKalb Police investigators. He was transported to the DeKalb Police Department, interviewed, and charged with the following:

Arrested: Brenton C. Strobert  
M/W 26 years of age  
DeKalb, IL

Charges: Child Pornography, Class I Felony (10 counts)  
Failure to Register as a Sex Offender, Class 3 Felony

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