

Man who drugged kid to make child porn sentenced

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An Irondequoit man who “likely drugged” a child to create pornography was sentenced to 16 years in federal prison Wednesday.

Sean R. Sullivan, 50 was convicted of production of child pornography and was sentenced by Chief U.S. District Judge Frank P. Geraci Jr.

Sullivan was identified by the Federal Bureau of Investigation through a child pornography investigation over a peerto-peer network. Investigators executed a search warrant at Sullivan’s Twilight Drive home in April 2019 and seized multiple electronic devices and four hard drives.

Prosecutors said some of the images and videos they discovered depict a “known victim, who resided with the defendant for several years.”

Sullivan drugged the victim to create the images. The alleged incidents happened between January 2005 and December 2016, authorities said.

One hard drive contained “over 100 voyeuristic videos and images of a girl approximately 8 to 13 years old,” the criminal complaint said. Some appeared to be secretly recorded in a bathroom, the complaint said.

Another hard drive contained over 9,000 images and 8,000 videos of child pornography, the complaint said. Some of the videos were “captured by a hidden camera with an adjoining room,” the complaint said.

An FBI special agent found files that appeared to be family photos with names associated with the files.

A woman, identified as “cooperating witness 1,” said she was in a relationship with Sullivan for many

years and that she and her daughter lived with Sullivan, the complaint said.

The agent told the woman that several of the photos depicted her daughter, and the witness told the agent that the pictures appeared to have been taken in 2005 or 2006, the complaint said.

The cooperating witness also identified other images found on Sullivan’s computer. Some of the images and videos depicted the witness’ daughter and her daughter’s boyfriend engaged in sexual activities, the complaint stated. Both the daughter and boyfriend were under 18 years old when the videos were captured.

During an interview with the FBI, Sullivan admitted “he had been looking at child pornography off and on” for an unknown period of time, the criminal complaint alleges.

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