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Two Abilene Men Arrested for Crimes Against Children

ABILENE, TX – The Abilene Police Department’s Cyber Crimes along with the Texas Department of Public Safety Criminal Investigations, arrested two area men for crimes against children. On Wednesday, May 27, 2020, detectives executed a search and arrest warrant at a home in the 1100 block of South LaSalle Street. Detectives arrested 27-year-old Christopher Daniel Watkins for First Degree Felony Online Solicitation of a Minor. He is accused of contacting a minor over the internet with the intent of sexual gratification. Electronic evidence was seized at the home. Watkins was taken to the Taylor County Jail.

On Wednesday, May 27, 2020, detectives executed a search and arrest warrant at a home located in the 4600 block of Coachlight Road. Detectives arrested 53-year-old John Dale Woodall for Second Degree Felony Promotion of Child Pornography, and State Jail Felony Possession of Lewd Visual Depiction of a Minor. Woodall is accused of uploading child pornography through the internet. Numerous pieces of electronic evidence were seized from the residence. He was transported to the Taylor County Jail.

Respectfully,

Rick Tomlin
Public Information Coordinator



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