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Ohio Man Sentenced to 10 Years for Online Relationship with Minor

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Bryan, TX – Jonathan McClain, 26, was sentenced to 10 years in prison today after pleading guilty to Sexual Performance by a Child.

In June of 2013, the parents of a teenage girl in Brazos County discovered sexually explicit emails that their daughter had been exchanging with McClain.

McClain, who lived in Licking County, Ohio, communicated with the teen through online social media sites Tumblr and Kik.

McClain and the teen exchanged sexual photographs of each other. McClain also sent the girl links to pornographic videos. During their conversations online, the girl made McClain aware of her age. Likewise, McClain informed the victim that he was 24. McClain never came to Texas and never met the victim in person. The relationship lasted a period of weeks before it was discovered.

When the relationship was discovered, police in Brazos County contacted authorities in Ohio, who then questioned McClain about it. McClain admitted to sexual communication. He also acknowledged that he continued to exchange sexual messages with the victim, even after he learned her age.

During the time McClain was carrying on the internet relationship with the victim in Brazos County, he was on probation in Licking County, Ohio for Sexual Battery of a Child. That charged stemmed from McClain inappropriately touching a 13-year-old female acquaintance in 2011 when McClain was 22.

In January of 2013, McClain received 5 years' probation in Ohio for the Sexual Battery Charge. As a condition of his guilty plea, McClain must register as a sex offender for the rest of his life.





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“The Victim’s parents are pleased that this predator will be off the street for years and monitored for life, without the victim having to endure testifying in court.” - Ryan Calvert, Assistant District Attorney

