



Trump Assassination Suspect's Son Arrested for Child Porn

Oran Routh, the son of Ryan Wesley Routh, the suspect in the attempted assassination of former President Donald Trump, will be famous for more than confirming his father Ryan Routh's hatred of the 45th commander in chief.

Federal agents have arrested the younger Routh on child pornography charges. The pornography depicts the sexual abuse and statutory rape of girls between six and 14 years old.

Oran Routh was arrested on Monday, [ABC news reported](#), the day before a federal grand jury [indicted his father](#) for attempting to assassinate Trump.



YouTube
Oran Routh

9-21 Search

Trouble for the long-haired Routh began on September 21, when the FBI searched his two-bedroom rental in Greensboro, North Carolina, "in connection with an investigation unrelated to child exploitation." That suggests that an agent found the obscene material while looking for evidence pertinent to the investigation of Ryan Routh.

Next day, an investigating agent obtained a warrant to search Routh's smartphones.

Investigators found "multiple electronic devices" linked to Routh. One was a Samsung Galaxy Note 9. When powered on, it featured a message with Routh's email address that offered a reward for returning the phone to Routh.

"A review of the SD card located in Device- I revealed that it contains hundreds of child pornography files," the [criminal complaint alleges](#):

These files include videos from a known child pornography series created outside the state of North Carolina. Videos from the series depict minors engaged in sex acts including a video of an adult male engaging in oral, vaginal, and anal sex with a prepubescent female minor approximately 8-10 years of age.



AO 91 (Rev. 11/11) Criminal Complaint

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

Middle District of North Carolina

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United States of America
v.
ORAN ALEXANDER ROUTH

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Case No. 1:24MJ376

Defendant(s)

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, the complainant in this case, state that the following is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

On or about the date(s) of 07/23/2024 and 09/21/2024 in the county of Guilford in the Middle District of North Carolina, the defendant(s) violated:

<i>Code Section</i>	<i>Offense Description</i>
Title 18 U.S.C. § 2252A(a)(2)(A)	Receipt of Child Pornography on or about 07/23/2024
Title 18 U.S.C. § 2252A(a)(5)(B)	Possession of Child Pornography on or about 09/21/2024

This criminal complaint is based on these facts:
See attached affidavit of FBI Special Agent Garrett L. Foo

Continued on the attached sheet.

On this day, the applicant appeared before me via reliable electronic means, that is by telephone, was placed under oath, and attested to the contents of this Criminal Complaint and attached affidavit in accordance with the requirements of Fed. R. Crim. P. 4.1.

/s/ Garrett L. Foo

Complainant's signature

Garrett L. Foo, Special Agent

Printed name and title

Date: 09/23/2024

Judge's signature

City and state: Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Joi Elizabeth Peake, U.S. Magistrate Judge

Printed name and title



AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF A CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, Garrett L. Foo, a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), being duly sworn, hereby depose and state as follows:

1. This affidavit is made in support of a criminal complaint against ORAN ALEXANDER ROUTH charging that on or about September 21, 2024, ROUTH possessed child pornography in violation of Title 18 U.S.C. § 2252A(a)(5)(B) and that on or about July 23, 2024 ROUTH received child pornography in violation of Title 18 U.S.C. § 2252A(a)(2)(A).

2. I am a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), assigned to the FBI's Charlotte Field Office, Greensboro Resident Agency. My responsibilities include enforcing federal laws as set forth in the United States Code, including violations of Title 18 U.S.C. § 2252A. Prior to joining the FBI, I was employed as a securities fraud investigator for the State Corporation Commission of Virginia for over five years. Since becoming a Special Agent, I have received extensive training related to criminal investigations. I have completed the FBI's Crimes Against Children Basics Investigations Course in Linthicum, Maryland, which is a training for techniques and practices for investigations related to child exploitation and child exploitation imagery. I have worked as a liaison with local, state, and federal law enforcement authorities regarding investigations and emerging threats related to the exploitation of children.

3. On September 21, 2024, the FBI searched ROUTH's residence in Greensboro, North Carolina and his person in connection with an investigation unrelated to child exploitation. Investigators seized multiple electronic devices. On September 22, 2024, I obtained a warrant to search certain devices, including those identified in this affidavit for child exploitation material.

4. ROUTH's residence is a second floor two-bedroom and two-bathroom dwelling. The rental contract for the residence lists ROUTH as the sole occupant and was signed in early August of 2024. On September 22, 2024, the residence's property manager advised that ROUTH



was the only person who applied to reside at the residence and was the only person known to live there. ROUTH's prior residence was also in Guilford County and his license lists a Guilford County address.

5. Items observed within the primary bedroom of ROUTH's residence identify it as ROUTH's room. In the room were several prescription medicine bottles in ROUTH's name and "Oran" was written on a Starbucks bag on a bedside dresser. Investigators recovered multiple electronic devices from the room, including a Samsung Galaxy Note 9 device labeled "Manufactured in Korea" that was located in a laptop bag (Device-1). When powered on, a message appears on Device-1 offering a reward if it is returned to its owner. An email address that belongs to ROUTH is provided as a contact in the message. The email address is comprised of ROUTH's first initial and last name.

6. A review of the SD card located in Device-1 revealed that it contains hundreds of child pornography files. These files include videos from a known child pornography series created outside the state of North Carolina. Videos from the series depict minors engaged in sex acts including a video of an adult male engaging in oral, vaginal, and anal sex with a prepubescent female minor approximately 8-10 years of age.

7. Investigators also recovered a Samsung Galaxy Note 9 from ROUTH's person (Device-2). A preliminary review of Device-2 also revealed child pornography. In a folder titled "Download," investigators observed a video depicting an adult female engaging in oral sex with a prepubescent minor female between approximately 6-8 years of age. On Device-2, investigators also located chats from a messaging application that, based on my training and experience, is commonly used by individuals who distribute and receive child pornography. In a July 2024 chat, an individual advertised cloud storage links for sale. The user of Device-2 asked for a preview of the content. On July 23, 2024, the individual sent the user of Device-2 the following two files:



- a. A video depicting an adult male engaged in vaginal intercourse with a prepubescent minor female between approximately 12-14 years of age.
- b. A video depicting a nude prepubescent minor female between approximately 6-8 years of age sitting on the chest of an adult female as the adult uses her tongue to penetrate the minor's vagina.

Conclusion:

8. Based on the facts set forth above, I submit that there is probable cause to believe that ORAN ALEXANDER ROUTH possessed child pornography in violation of Title 18 U.S.C. § 2252A(a)(5)(B) and received child pornography in violation of Title 18 U.S.C. § 2252A(a)(2)(A).

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Garrett L. Foo
Garrett L. Foo, Special Agent
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Dated: September 23, 2024

Pursuant to Rule 4.1 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the affiant appeared before me via reliable electronic means (telephone), was placed under oath, and attested to the contents of this written affidavit.


Joi Elizabeth Peake
United States Magistrate Judge
Middle District of North Carolina

Agents recovered a second Galaxy Note 9 from Routh. It contained video that showed a woman and girl about six to eight years old engaging in oral sex. That device also contained “chats from a messaging application that ... is commonly used by individuals who distribute and receive child pornography.”

A chat on July 24 featured an “individual” who “advertised cloud storage links for sale,” the [complaint continues](#). That individual sent videos to “the user of Device-2” that depicted a man having intercourse



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with a girl about 12 to 14 years old, which would be statutory rape.

Another video shows a woman performing oral sex on a girl about six to eight years old.

The youngest age of consent for sexual activity with adults in the United States is 16.

Routh faces charges of receiving and possessing child pornography. First-time offenders [are fined and can land](#) in prison for anywhere from five to 20 years.

TDS a Routh Family Trait?

Sometimes hirsute with a beard, the younger Routh came to the public's attention hours after his father's arrest in the attempted assassination of Trump.

The [Daily Mail tracked](#) him down to ask a few questions.

Like his father, Routh apparently suffers from Trump Derangement Syndrome.

He told the website that his father hates Trump like "every reasonable person does."

"I don't like Trump either," he added.

[Continued Routh:](#)

He's my dad and all he's had is couple traffic tickets, as far as I know. That's crazy. I know my dad and love my dad, but that's nothing like him.

Routh told the website that the two had a "falling out" and had "grown apart."

But the interview also revealed that he might well have been lying, given the elder Routh's lengthy criminal record.

"He's not a violent person," Routh told the website. "He's a hard worker and a great dad. He's a great dude, a nice guy and has worked his whole f**king life."

The younger Routh said he didn't know if his father owned a gun, and that "I've never known him to own a gun or known him to do anything bats*** like this."

That cannot be true.

Oran Routh was about 15 years old when his father, armed with a machine gun, [barricaded himself](#) in a building in Greensboro, North Carolina, for a three-hour standoff with police. That crime was rather more serious than a "couple traffic tickets."

The website revealed a "rambling" text from Oran Routh that suggests that an apple doesn't fall far from the tree:

I hate this game every four years, and think that we all do, and if my father wants to be a martyr to how broken and disassociated the process has become from the real problems and practical solutions, then that's his choice.

I'm not saying that's what he's done or what he's about, that's just my own rant being fed up with it all for my entire adult life.

South Park said it best, every 4 years we're forced to choose between a turd sandwich and a giant douche, and it all stays f****d in the same ways by different degrees, and we're exhausted and embarrassed by it all.



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Other evidence that suggests the son might have tried to cover the sins of the father is in the latter's book, [Ukraine's Unwinnable War](#). In that forgettable literary effort, Ryan Routh advocated assassinating Trump. But perhaps Oran Routh didn't read the book. Or perhaps anyone who knew him and did read it didn't bother telling him his father suggested murdering the 45h president.

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