Child Pornography Defense Lawyer in Utah

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If you have been charged with or arrested for any crime involving child pornography in Utah, don't wait. You'll need a comprehensive defense that takes time to create. The consequences of a conviction extend far beyond simple jail time or fines; they could destroy your chances for a normal life. If you are convicted for child pornography, you'll be registered as a sex offender and that charge will follow you for the rest of your life; every time you move, apply for a job, volunteer or even work out, your conviction could come back to haunt you. *Only an aggressive defense mounted by an experienced child pornography lawyer can avert the disaster that looms ahead.* Don't delay; contact Wasatch Defense Lawyers for a *FREE case review* right away.

Consequences for Child Pornography in Utah

If you are found guilty of producing, creating or distributing child pornography in Utah, you face a variety of penalties in Utah under the State's Sexual Exploitation Act. *Child pornography crimes are considered* second degree felonies and punishable with imprisonment and fines. You could go to jail for anywhere from six months to 15 years if you are charged with child pornography in the state. Fines can be assessed of up to \$10,000 for a conviction as well.

It is important to note that an offender can face multiple charges in Utah; each child featured in a piece of explicit material is a separate charge, and each instance or peeve of material is charged separately, even if they depict the same minor.

If you are convicted, even after you serve time or pay fines you'll have a hard time finding a place to live, a place to work or even volunteering; consequences can be lifelong and have a significant impact on your future. You'll have to register as a convicted sex offender and update your address whenever you move.

The best way to avoid these devastating consequences is to speak with a child pornography attorney right away.

What is a Child Pornography Charge in Utah?

Utah has a broad description of what it considers to be child pornography. Broad reaching definitions are designed to protect children and cover not only traditional but emerging media and delivery methods as well.

Live performances, photographs, film and video and photos of any type are child pornography under Utah law. The law also includes computer created or generated images, computer altered pictures and pictures containing any type of sexual or explicit content, including:

- Any depiction in any media of a child or minor engaging in sexually explicit acts, poses or content
- Production of images of any type that contain a minor engaging in sexually explicit acts or conduct
- Modified images or other media made to suggest a child was involved or engaged in sexual acts

In addition to the things defined above, you can be legally charged for any number of reasons, including but not limited to:

- Owning or possessing child pornography
- Creating or producing child pornography
- Sale, sharing or distribution of child pornography
- · Federal child pornography charges
- Internet sites, images or other content with child pornography
- Videos featuring child pornography
- Pornography featuring vulnerable adults including those with disabilities
- Peer to Peer (P2P) sharing via torrent or other file sharing sites
- Possessing or sharing obscene material featuring minors

Defense Strategies Used in Child Pornography Cases

When you are charged with having or distributing child pornography or any other crime, the prosecution much prove that you did something wrong; the right approach to defense holds prosecutors to the highest possible standards. Lack of knowledge of the law or awareness of the child's age is not a legitimate defense. Some potential defenses used for child pornography cases may include:

- Mistaken identity; someone else used your Wi-Fi connection to download the troubling images
- Someone else was to blame, in your workplace, dorm, home or other location
- · Entrapment by law enforcement
- Illegal actions were undertaken by law enforcement to obtain evidence

A Utah Child Porn Lawyer Can Protect Your Freedom and Your Future

If you've been charged with either distribution or possession of child pornography, it is essential that you secure the services from an experienced child pornography attorney right away. At Wasatch Defense Lawyers, we understand how difficult this time is and know you are innocent until proven guilty; we bring our considerable skills and experience to mount an aggressive defense on your behalf. We understand the steps needed to fully investigate your charges and case and have the assets and ability to thoroughly do so.

Contact our Utah criminal defense lawyers for a FREE, no-obligation child pornography case review at 801-845-3241 today to protect your reputation, your future and your freedom.