

Daleville man sentenced to prison for sex crimes

Suspects pleads guilty to promoting prostitution, sex abuse and child porn

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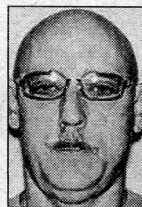
A Daleville man received a 10-year split sentence, with three years to serve in prison, on Monday after he pleaded guilty to promoting prostitution, two counts of sex abuse and possession of child pornography.

Court records show 56-year-old Andrew Patrick Bywater pleaded guilty Monday to the felony charges of promoting prostitution, three counts of possession of child pornography and two counts of first-degree sex abuse

in front of Circuit Court Judge William Filmore.

Records show Bywater received a 10-year split sentence with three years to serve in the state Department of Corrections for each charge. Each sentence was ordered to be served concurrently for one 10-year split sentence. Upon release of the three-year prison sentence, Bywater was ordered to serve five years probation.

Bywater also originally faced a total of nine child pornography possession charges and an electronic solicitation of a child



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charge. Records show six child pornography charges and the electronic solicitation of a child

charge were dismissed as part of the guilty plea agreement.

Daleville police investigators originally arrested Bywater in November 2014.

According to an earlier Dothan Eagle report, after Bywater's original arrest, Daleville police served a search warrant at Bywater's Judy Street home, during which they seized multiple computers and cell phones.