



# HARRISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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**\*\*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\*\***

**For Immediate Release**

On Thursday October 20, 2016, Sheriff Troy Peterson announced the arrest of 32 year old Gabriel Austin Swaidner who resides at 36 36<sup>th</sup> Street Gulfport, MS on a felony charge of Possession of Child Pornography.

According to Sheriff Troy Peterson, the Gulf Coast Cyber Crimes Task Force, a multi agency task force comprised of members of the Biloxi Police Department, Wiggins Police Department, Home Land Security and the Harrison County Sheriff's Department, executed a search warrant at Swaidner's residence. The task force located child pornography on his personal computer and upon being interviewed Swaidner admitted to downloading and possessing videos of underage children.

Gabriel Swaidner was booked into the Harrison County Adult Detention Facility and charged with possession of child pornography. Swaidner is being held in lieu of a \$10,000.00 dollar bond set by Justice Court Judge Melvin Ray.

Investigative Officer: \_\_\_\_\_

Arresting Officer(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Approved For Release: \_\_\_\_\_

Troy J. Peterson, Sheriff, Harrison County, Mississippi