

TO: AREA NEWS

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SUBJECT OF RELEASE: Felony Arrest

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ARRESTEE: Stephen T. Conklin

AGE/SEX: 65/Male

ADDRESS: Summerdale, AL

CHARGES:

Possessing An Obscene Sexual Performance By A Child (E-Felony) PL 263.11

Possessing A Sexual Performance By A Child (E-Felony) PL 263.16

DATE AND TIME OF ARREST: 09/25/2026 at 6:35pm

NARRATIVE: On September 25, 2026, the Clinton County Sheriff's Office arrested Stephen T. Conklin following a joint investigation conducted by the Sheriff's Office, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) and Customs and Border Protection - Office of Field Operations (CBP OFO). The investigation began in May, 2026, when Conklin was encountered by CBP OFO during routine inspection at the Champlain Port of Entry. As a result of the initial investigation conducted by CBP OFO, multiple electronic devices belonging to Conklin were seized pending further investigation and turned over to HSI and the Sheriff's Office. It's alleged that Conklin's devices were found to contain Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM).

DISPOSITION: Conklin was processed at the Sheriff's Office and arraigned in Champlain Town Court, following which he was committed to Clinton County Correctional Facility in lieu of \$20,000 cash bail and \$40,000/\$200,000 bond. He is set to re-appear in Champlain Town Court on a later date.