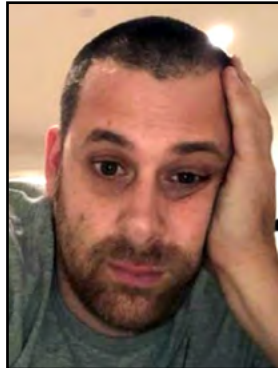




WANTED BY THE FBI

MICHAEL JAMES PRATT

Conspiracy to Commit Sex Trafficking by Force, Fraud and Coercion; Production of Child Pornography; Sex Trafficking of a Minor and by Force, Fraud and Coercion; Sex Trafficking by Force, Fraud and Coercion; Criminal Forfeiture



DESCRIPTION

Aliases: Michael Pratt, Michal J. Pratt, Mark

Date(s) of Birth Used: November 10, 1982

Place of Birth: New Zealand

Hair: Brown

Eyes: Hazel

Height: 6'0" (183 centimeters)

Weight: 209 pounds (95 kilograms)

Sex: Male

Race: White

Nationality: New Zealander

Languages: English

Scars and Marks: Pratt may have a tattoo on his left arm.

REWARD

The FBI is offering a reward of up to \$50,000 for information leading to the arrest of Michael James Pratt.

REMARKS

Pratt has ties to or may visit: New Zealand, Australia, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Turkey, Singapore, Japan, Chile, Croatia, and France.

CAUTION

From approximately 2012 to October 2019, in the Southern District of California and elsewhere, Michael James Pratt and others allegedly participated in a conspiracy to recruit young adult and minor women to engage in commercial sex acts by force, fraud and coercion. Pratt and a co-conspirator owned and operated a pornography production company and online pornography websites, "GirlsDoPorn" and "GirlsDoToys." Pratt and his co-conspirators allegedly recruited young women from around the United States by posting advertisements for clothed modeling jobs on the Internet. Pratt and his co-conspirators advised the women responding to the ads that the jobs were in fact for pornographic videos and that they would be paid between \$3,000 to \$5,000 U.S. dollars for a one-day video shoot. To persuade the women to participate, Pratt and his co-conspirators allegedly convinced the women they would remain anonymous, that their videos would be provided to private collectors on DVD, and would not be posted on the Internet. Pratt allegedly paid other young women working at his direction to act as references or provide false assurances to the women that, if they filmed a video, the video would not be posted online. Some women were not permitted to leave the shooting locations until the videos were made and others were allegedly forced to perform certain sex acts they had declined to do. Allegedly, some of the women were sexually assaulted. Pratt's pornography websites generated more than \$17 million U.S. dollars in revenue. A federal arrest warrant was issued for Pratt in the United States District Court, Southern District of California, on November 6, 2019.

If you have any information concerning this person, please contact your local FBI office or the nearest American Embassy or Consulate.

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