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## **LANSDALE MAN CHARGED WITH 40 FELONY COUNTS RELATED TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND PROSTITUTION OF 16-YEAR-OLD GIRL**



NORRISTOWN, Pa.--Montgomery County District Attorney Kevin R. Steele and Hatfield Township Police Chief William J. Tierney announce the arrest of Brian Kieffer, 32, of Lansdale for eight counts of first-degree felonies and 32 counts of second- and third-degree felony charges related to human trafficking and prostituting a 16-year-old girl.

A joint investigation by Hatfield Township Detective Richard Hoffner and Montgomery County Detective Jean Morrison revealed that Kieffer, a former pilot, met the then-15-year-old Hatfield Township juvenile in mid-August using a social media application and began an unlawful sexual relationship with the minor girl. The investigation found that after their initial meeting, Kieffer was responsible for the sexual trafficking and promotion of prostitution of a minor involving the girl by facilitating the creation and posting of online prostitution advertisements for her, renting

hotel rooms for the purpose of her engaging in prostitution, handling communications with prostitution customers to discuss pricing and meeting times, and transporting the juvenile to and from these prostitution “dates,” all of which he profited from. Additionally, Kieffer facilitated her procurement of illegal controlled substances by driving her to Philadelphia to purchase heroin and cocaine, and removed the juvenile from her home and transported her to Florida without her parents’ knowledge or consent.

Kieffer was charged with trafficking in individuals/trafficking in minors, unlawful contact with a minor, participating in a corrupt organization, dealing in the proceeds of unlawful activities, sexual exploitation of children, prostitution and related offenses/promoting prostitution of a minor, concealment of the whereabouts of a child, unlawful use of a computer and other computer crimes, criminal use of a communication facility and corruption of minors. If convicted, Kieffer could face up to 411 years of incarceration.

Kieffer is currently incarcerated at the Montgomery County Correctional Facility on two initial charges of corruption of a minor and concealing the whereabouts of a child, originally filed in October after Kieffer and the girl were found in Orlando, Fla., after she was reported missing by her parents. The defendant was being held on \$1 million bail. He was charged today and arraigned on the super ceding criminal complaint before Magisterial District Judge Edward Levine in Lansdale. Bail was set at \$5 million. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for 1:45 p.m. on Feb. 25 in front of Judge Levine.

Approved for release:

Kevin R. Steele

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