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Winnebago County State's Attorney J. Hanley announces the Honorable Judge Debra Schafer found **Jesse W. Brewer (DOB: 2/22/1987)** guilty of one count of Child Pornography after a bench trial.

In December, 2024, Winnebago County Sheriff's Detectives reviewed a CyberTipline Report from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children. The CyberTipline Report was generated by Dropbox. This occurs when a user disseminates or stores suspected child pornography on their platform. During the review, detectives identified two suspicious videos. The videos were traced to an email and username of the defendant, Jesse Brewer. The videos were of children under the age of 13 engaging in sexual activity.

Child Pornography is a Class 2 Felony that is punishable by a sentence of 3-7 years followed by one year of mandatory supervised release and lifetime registration as a sex offender.

Brewer is scheduled to be back in court on September 18, 2026, at 11:00am before Judge Schafer in Courtroom 317 of the Winnebago County Courthouse.

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Department conducted the investigation in this case. Assistant State's Attorney Emily Palmer is handling the prosecution.

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