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Man pleads guilty to sex trafficking



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A Rochester man admitted this week in federal court his intent to the sex trafficking of a minor.

Brandon McNeal, 24, pleaded guilty in front of Chief U.S. District Judge Frank P. Geraci Jr. to conspiracy to commit sex trafficking of a minor. The charge carries a maximum sentence of life in prison and a fine of \$250,000.

He is scheduled to be sentenced at 3 p.m. May 16.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Tiffany H. Lee, McNeal worked with others to recruit a female minor under the age of 18 to engage in commercial sex acts. Between July and August of last year, McNeal had a minor working for him as a prostitute. He posted advertisements for her on Backpage.com, an Internet site for classified ads.

McNeal arranged for the minor to meet customers at a Motel 6 and he paid for the hotel room.

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