

# WANTED BY THE FBI

Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution - Obscene Material Possession-Possessing  
a Photograph of the Sexual Performance by a Child (Child Pornography)

## WILLIAM LEE COPP



Photograph  
taken in 2007



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**Aliases:**

Bill Copp, Bil Copp

### DESCRIPTION

<b>Date(s) of Birth Used:</b>	June 2, 1942	<b>Hair:</b>	Brown/Gray
<b>Place of Birth:</b>	Michigan	<b>Eyes:</b>	Brown
<b>Height:</b>	5'11"	<b>Sex:</b>	Male
<b>Weight:</b>	200 pounds	<b>Race:</b>	White
<b>NCIC:</b>	W210094279	<b>Nationality:</b>	American
<b>Occupation:</b>	Copp was a gymnastics coach. He also has worked as a videographer and has been involved in video production.		

**Scars and Marks:**

None known

**Remarks:**

Copp is a former junior Olympics gymnastics coach and a member of the USA Gymnastics Hall of Fame (trampoline and tumbling). In the United States, Copp has lived in Cleveland, Ohio, and Sarasota and Venice, Florida.

Copp has traveled extensively throughout the world and has contacts worldwide due to his involvement in international gymnastics competitions. He reportedly has expressed interest in traveling to Panama and Colombia. Copp is believed to have lived in Maro, Spain, and most recently in the area of Nerja in Malaga, on the southern coast of Spain. He is known to stay in hostels throughout Spain.

### CAUTION

William Lee Copp is wanted for child pornography offenses which occurred from the late 1990s through 2004, in Englewood, Florida. Copp is alleged to have used his credit card to subscribe to a web site which allowed him to access child pornography. Copp allegedly downloaded child pornography and saved it to his computer and disks.

Copp was charged in a 126-count criminal complaint and capias by the 12th Judicial Circuit Court, State of Florida, for obscene material possession-possessing a photograph of the sexual performance by a child (child pornography) in violation of Florida State statute. Copp was scheduled to appear for a court proceeding on February 2, 2006, in Sarasota County, Florida, however, he failed to appear. He also was scheduled to appear for his trial on February 6, 2006, at the Circuit Court, Sarasota, Florida, however, he failed to appear again. On February 7, 2006, a state warrant was issued for his arrest.

In addition, a federal arrest warrant was issued on February 24, 2006, by the United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, Tampa Division, after Copp was charged federally with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution.

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