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## Level 2 Sex Offender Notification Joseph Wiegand

New Address: 726 W. Jackson Street - Somerton, AZ 85350

The Yuma County Sheriff's Office (YCSO) is releasing the following information pursuant to A.R.S. 13-3825, the Community Notification on Sex Offenders Law. The offender in this publication is living within Yuma County. It is the responsibility of the Chief Law Enforcement Office having jurisdiction where the offender resides to make notifications to the community. Notification must be made when certain sex offenders are released from the Arizona State Prison, accepted under an interstate compact or released from the county jail back into the community. Offenders are categorized into three levels: Level One (low risk to the community),

Level Two (intermediate risk to the community), and Level Three (high risk to the

community).

The individual who appears on this notification, **Joseph Wiegand**, **52**, has been convicted of a sex offense that allows for community notification. Joseph Wiegand has advised the YCSO that he is residing at 726 W. Jackson Street in Somerton, Arizona. He is described as 6 feet 3 inches tall, 215 pounds, with brown hair and brown eyes. He is not wanted by the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at this time.

On November 16, 2010, Wiegand plead no contest to one count of Criminal Sexual Conduct (person under 13) Second Degree in the Macomb County Circuit Court in Mt. Clemens, Michigan. He was sentenced to serve 15 years at the Michigan Department of Corrections, with credit for 207 days served. His victim was a male juvenile known to him.

Joseph Wiegand is considered a Level 2 sex offender with an intermediate risk to reoffend.



Joseph Wiegand

Height: 6'3 Weight: 215 lbs Hair: Brown Eyes: Brown

This notification is not intended to increase fear; rather, it is our belief that an informed community is a safer community. The YCSO has no legal authority to direct where a sex offender may or may not live. Unless court ordered restrictions exist, this offender is constitutionally free to live wherever he/she chooses. Citizen abuses of this information to threaten, intimidate, or harass sex offenders will not be tolerated. Sex Offenders have always lived in our communities; but because of Megan's law, law enforcement is now able to share this information with you.

The YCSO would like to remind the public of the registered sex offender and community notification program Offender Watch. To register for free email alerts or search for sex offenders in your area, please visit the YCSO OffenderWatch page.

If you have information regarding current criminal activity on this or any other offender, please call the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at (928) 783-4427.

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