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Press Release

Former Braintree man on DOR's top 10 list is apprehended in Las Vegas *to be arraigned in Quincy Friday*

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A former Braintree man accused of failing to make more than 335 consecutive child support payments has been brought back from Nevada and will be arraigned in Quincy District Court on two felony charges tomorrow morning, September 16, 2011, according to Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey. Gerard Colucci (DOB 6-17-64) will be arraigned on two charges:

1. ABANDONMENT OF A CHILD WITHOUT SUPPORT, punishable by not more than 5 years state prison or 2.5 years in a house of correction.
2. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH A SUPPORT ORDER, punishable by not more than 5 years state prison or 2.5 years in a house of correction.

"He was apprehended in Las Vegas in July on the 2008 warrant out of Quincy District Court," District Attorney Morrissey said. "He was reportedly apprehended in his motor vehicle."

Colucci initially contested his rendition to Massachusetts after being apprehended in July. State Police attached to the Norfolk District Attorney's Office traveled to Nevada and brought him back on a flight that landed shortly before 10 a.m. Thursday.

The case will be prosecuted by Assistant Norfolk District Attorney David Ringius, whom District Attorney Morrissey has assigned to work directly with the Department of Revenue on criminal matters involving child support enforcement. "This office has an ongoing relationship with the Department of Revenue to enforce the laws protecting the interests of children after divorce or separation of parents," District Attorney Morrissey said. "We very much value the strong professional cooperation we receive from the Department of Revenue."

See also:

http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=dorterminal&L=5&L0=Home&L1=Individuals+and+Families&L2=Child+Support+Services&L3=Enforcement+Programs&L4=Ten+Most+Wanted&sid=Ador&b=terminalcontent&f=cse_wanted_2009_index&csid=Ador

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