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North Carolina Resident Arrested for Cyberstalking Two Mississippians

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Jackson, MS—A North Carolina resident has been arrested and charged with 10 counts of cyberstalking involving two Mississippians, announced Attorney General Jim Hood today.

Roderick Arrington, 34, of Hamlet, NC was arrested Wednesday by the Rockingham Police Department and the Hamlet Police Department at his place of employment in Rockingham, North Carolina based on an investigation conducted by the Mississippi Attorney General's Cyber Crime Unit.

Arrington is alleged to have created fake yahoo email accounts from which he allegedly sent repeated, threatening emails to the two victims, both residents of Hinds County.

"We are unable to release more details at this time because the investigation is ongoing," said Attorney General Hood. "However, we do appreciate the assistance of the U.S. Marshal's Office, Hamlet North Carolina and Rockingham North Carolina Police Departments—all of whom worked quickly upon being notified of our warrants in this case".

Arrington is currently in the Rockingham Police Department jail pending an extradition hearing today. If convicted of all the charges, he faces up to 20 years behind bars. As with all cases, the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

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