

AG Eric Holder Tops Morality in Media's 2014 'Dirty Dozen List'

Morality in Media announces the 2014 Dirty Dozen List, a compilation of the leading facilitators of pornography in America.

The 2014 Dirty Dozen List highlights offenders with an explanation of how they contribute to a culture of sexual exploitation. The campaign provides actions the public can take to persuade these individuals and organizations to change their policies and practices. These include calls and letters to headquarters and social media interaction.

"Once again Attorney General Eric Holder tops our Dirty Dozen List for his support of pornographers over children and families," says Patrick A. Trueman, president of Morality in Media. "As the pandemic of harm from pornography grows, Holder gives criminal pornographers the green light to proceed by stopping all enforcement of federal obscenity laws."

Among others, the latest list includes the social networking site Tumblr for its embrace of pornographic offerings; PlayStation for its live-streamed pornography and sexually violent games; and Verizon for its FiOS TV porn offerings, including many with child or teen themes, sexual slavery plots and racial overtones.

Those companies from the 2013 list that have been excluded from the current list have not necessarily ceased profiting from pornography but have made improvements. They include the Pentagon for halting sales of porn in the Army and Air Force exchanges and Comcast for improving parental controls.

"These Dirty Dozen companies profit daily from the sexual

exploitation of others, and our campaign against them will not stop until their exploitation stops,” says Dawn Hawkins, Morality in Media’s executive director. “Many of them may be in violation of current, enforceable U.S. obscenity laws that prohibit the distribution of obscene or hardcore pornography.”

For more information on this campaign, go to the Dirty Dozen website. The full, updated list includes:

1. Attorney General Eric Holder. Holder refuses to enforce existing federal obscenity laws against hardcore adult pornography, despite the fact that these laws have been upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court and effectively enforced by previous attorneys general.

2. Verizon. Verizon pushes porn into our homes now through hardcore pay-per-view movies on FiOS, smartphones and tablets, and as an Internet service provider with insufficient filtering options.

3. Sex Week. Yale and other colleges and universities repeatedly offer Sex Week on campus. Porn stars are routinely invited to lecture, and pornography that glamorizes “fantasy rape” is screened.

4. PlayStation. PlayStation’s live-streaming abilities are filling thousands of homes with live porn, and the PlayStation Store sells hundreds of pornographic and sexually violent games.

5. Facebook. Facebook has become a top place to trade pornography and child pornography and for sexual exploitation. Facebook’s guidelines prohibit such behavior, but the company is doing little to enforce the guidelines.

6. Barnes & Noble. This Fortune 500 company is a major supplier of adult pornography and child erotica. It regularly puts pornography near the children’s sections in stores and

provides free, unfiltered porn publications on its Nook e-reader.

7. Hilton. This hotel chain, like Hyatt, Starwood and many other top hotel chains, provides hardcore pornography movie choices. Porn channels are often the first advertisement on the chain's in-room TVs.

8. American Library Association. The ALA encourages public libraries to keep their computers unfiltered and to allow patrons, including children, to access pornography.

9. Google. Google's empire thrives on porn. Porn is easily available, even to children, through YouTube, Google Play, Google Images and Google Ads.

10. Tumblr. This popular social media blogging site bombards users with porn. Users must only be 13 to register, and the filters do not work.

11. *50 Shades of Grey*. This best-selling book series and upcoming movie are normalizing sexual violence, domination and torture of women. The Oprah Winfrey Network, Broadway and other mainstream outlets have even promoted this abusive lifestyle.

12. *Cosmopolitan* magazine. The magazine is a full-on pornographic, "how to" sex guide, encouraging women to accept the pornified culture around them. They specifically market this content to teen girls.