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Carmel Man Convicted of Sexual Abuse in the First Degree

CARMEL, NEW YORK – JULY 17, 2017 District Attorney Robert V. Tendy announced the conviction of Daniel G. Moloney, Jr., aged 30, of 265 East Lake Boulevard, in the Town of Carmel for the crime of Sexual Abuse in the First Degree, a class D Felony . On September 25, 2016 the Putnam County Sheriff's office received a complaint that the 14 year old victim had been sexually abused by the defendant in his bedroom.

The victim, who was interviewed at the Child Advocacy center by DA Investigator Jaemie Caban and Investigator Shaun Menton of the PCSO, revealed the defendant, a family friend, brought the victim to his bedroom under the guise they were going to watch TV. Once in the bedroom, the defendant sexually assaulted the victim and threatened to use restraining devices if she did not comply. A joint effort between law enforcement and the DA's Office led to the execution of a search warrant and the recovery of the restraints. Chief Assistant District Attorney Chana Krauss refused to plea bargain the case and he ultimately pled guilty as charged.

The defendant was sentenced on July 12, 2017 before Judge Rooney to the agreed upon sentence of six months in jail, 10 years of sex offender probation, an order of protection and Sex Offender Registration. The defendant waived his right to appeal and the young victim was spared the trauma of testifying.

The victim's mother, who was in support of the agreed upon plea and grateful for the careful attention the case and her daughter received, submitted a statement to the Court on the day of sentence, "because of your disgusting shameful acts she will never look at life the same and she's just a child whose life barely began".

DA Tendy stated "I want the message to be clear; we will fight tooth and nail to protect our children, if you harm a child here in Putnam County, you will be found, prosecuted and held accountable by the most aggressive team. This case was investigated prosecuted swiftly and effectively as a joint effort between the Putnam County Sheriff's Office and the DA's Office."