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## PUTNAM DA ANNOUNCES CONVICTION OF SERIAL BURGLAR

**CARMEL, NEW YORK – November, 2018:** Putnam County District Attorney Robert V. Tendy announced today that on Wednesday, November 7, Andrew Hickey, of Carmel, NY was convicted after a jury trial of three counts of Burglary in the Second Degree and one Count of Criminal Mischief in the Second Degree. Tendy personally handled the trial.

Over a five week period in 2017, Hickey broke into three houses—two on the same night. Two of the homes were occupied. The defendant was traced through DNA left at two of the scenes, and was arrested at the third home with the burglary in progress.

“This was a great collaborative effort involving the District Attorney’s Office, Carmel PD, Kent PD, the NYS Police Forensics Lab, and Putnam’s own I.T. Department.” Tendy said. “This defendant was involved in some very dangerous activity. In one home a mother and her baby were alone when he broke in, and in another a young woman was alone. Fortunately, no one was hurt. A lot of great police work went into securing this arrest and conviction. Law enforcement did a great job.”

Tendy was assisted at trial by ADA Melissa Lynch, and the case was tried before Judge James Reitz. Sentencing is scheduled for January 15.