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CHILD RAPIST CONVICTED

CARMEL, NEW YORK – March 12, 2020 Putnam County District Attorney Robert V. Tendy announced today that Khori Salmon of Mahopac, New York, was convicted after a jury trial on March 11, 2020 of two counts of Rape in the First Degree and Course of Sexual Conduct Against a Child in the First Degree.

Salmon's course of sexual conduct against his child victim began when he resided in the Bronx, where he sexually abused his nine-year-old victim. Salmon moved to Putnam County in 2017, and his abuse continued, cumulating in the rape of the then twelve-year-old victim on two occasions in his residence in January 2018.

District Attorney Tendy thanked multiple law enforcement agencies and personnel. "Detectives Frank Chibbaro, Michael Sheil, and Detective Sgt. Michael Nagle of the Carmel Police Department investigated and arrested Salmon on the charges, and Putnam DA Senior Investigator Michael Benvie, the NYPD, and the Bronx District Attorney's Office collaborated throughout this case. Putnam ADAs Melissa Lynch and Nicholas LaStella brought the case to trial and they did an outstanding job. I'm very proud of everyone's hard work during this difficult prosecution. And I want to especially thank the jury for reaching a just verdict."

"I also have to commend the incredible courage and resolve of the young victim throughout this terrible ordeal. We will always vigorously investigate and prosecute anyone who harms our children."

The trial was presided over by the Honorable Judge James T. Rooney. Sentencing is scheduled for May 6. The defendant faces a maximum of twenty-five years in state prison.