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STEPHEN PERONT SENTENCED TO 20-80 YEARS FOR AGGRAVATED FELONIOUS SEXUAL ASSAULT CONVICTIONS

Hillsborough County Attorney Dennis Hogan announces that on Wednesday, May 4, 2011, Stephen Peront, age 34, was sentenced to a total of 20 – 80 years at the New Hampshire State Prison by Honorable Judge Brian Tucker in Hillsborough County Superior Court (Northern District). A jury convicted the defendant of four counts of Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault; one count of Attempted Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assault and one count of Sexual Assault.

The jury convicted the defendant after a three day trial in November, 2010 in which the minor victim's testimony described five years of sexual abuse beginning when she was 10 years old.

The defendant will serve a minimum term of 20 years before being eligible to be released on parole. The defendant must complete the Sexual Offender Program at the New Hampshire State Prison and must also complete drug and alcohol treatment while incarcerated. Upon release, the defendant is further ordered to complete additional sexual offender counseling and must have no contact with minors under the age of 16. The defendant was also sentenced to an additional 10 – 30 year sentence which will be suspended for a period of ten years upon his release on parole.

Assistant Hillsborough County Attorney Jennifer Sandoval represented the State in the prosecution.

Questions about the case can be referred to County Attorney Dennis Hogan at the County Attorney's Office at 627.5605.

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