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Walter Cleveland Sentenced to 16 Years to Life in State Prison for Predatory Sexual Assault of a Child



ALBANY, NY- District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that **WALTER CLEVELAND**, 21, of Albany, was sentenced to 16 years to Life in State Prison before the Honorable Stephen Herrick in Albany County Court this morning.

On October 30, 2013, CLEVELAND pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Predatory Sexual Assault Against a Child, a Class A-II Felony.

On August 14, 2012 in the vicinity of Lincoln Park in the City of Albany, the defendant did intentionally engage in criminal sexual acts with a child less than 11 years old by the use of forcible compulsion. Two civilian witnesses observed the incident and called immediately called 911.

Assistant District Attorney Brett Knowles of the Special Victims Unit handled the prosecution of this case.

For more information please contact Cecilia Walsh (518) 275-4710.



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Albany County Crime Victims and Sexual Violence Center 447-7100

Albany County District Attorney's Office Crime Victims Unit 694-8445

Child Help Hotline 800-4-A-CHILD



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