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State Prison for Sexual Abuse Conviction



ALBANY, NY – District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that **JAMES MCCLENDON**, 36, of Albany, was sentenced to State Prison before the Honorable Judge Thomas A. Breslin in Albany County Supreme Court today.

MCCLENDON was sentenced to 6 years in State Prison, to be followed by 10 years of Post Release Supervision, after a jury previously found him guilty of Sexual Abuse in the First

Degree. This time was ordered to be served with a consecutive sentence of 2 to 4 years in State Prison for a charge of Coercion in the First Degree, in addition to concurrent terms of custody for convictions relating to the same incident. In addition to the period of incarceration, MCCLENDON will have to register as a Sex Offender and abide by several No Contact Orders of Protection.

On May 11, 2016, MCCLENDON was found guilty after a jury trial of (1) Count of Sexual Abuse in the First Degree, a Class D Felony, (1) Count of Criminal Obstruction of Breathing, a Class A Misdemeanor, (1) Count of Assault in the Third Degree, a Class A Misdemeanor, (1) Count of Coercion in the First Degree, a Class D Felony, and (2) Counts of Endangering the Welfare of a Child, each Class A Misdemeanors.

On July 14, 2015, at approximately 6:30 p.m., while at a residence in the area of Livingston Avenue in the City of Albany, MCCLENDON did intentionally assault and sexually abuse another individual that was known to him. At the time of these offenses there were children under the age of 17 in the residence. In addition, MCCLENDON did follow the victim out of the residence and attempt to prevent the victim from obtaining help. MCCLENDON was arrested by Albany City Police officers who responded to a 911 call regarding the incident.

Assistant District Attorney Caroline Murray of the Special Victims Unit prosecuted this case.

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