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JURY CONVICTS MAN OF SODOMY OF CHILD

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Dan Patterson, Greene County Prosecuting Attorney, announced that Darrell D. Tindle, 30, of Springfield, MO was convicted today by a Greene County Jury of the felonies of: Statutory Sodomy in the first degree of a victim less than fourteen years of age, and two counts of Statutory Sodomy in the second degree of a victim less than seventeen years of age. He was found not guilty of one count of Child Molestation in the first degree.

These charges stemmed from events occurring from 2007 into 2009. It was alleged that the defendant sexually abused his girlfriend's young daughters.

The jury deliberated for approximately eleven hours before returning its verdict.

The jury trial was presided over by the Honorable Calvin Holden. The defendant is subject on the charge of Statutory Sodomy in the first degree, to a sentence of five to thirty years, or life, in the Missouri Department of Corrections. The defendant is subject on each of the charges of Statutory Sodomy in the second degree, to a sentence of up to seven years in the Missouri Department of Corrections. Judge Holden set a sentencing hearing for November 10, 2011 at 2:00 P.M. following a sentencing assessment report by the Department of Probation and Parole.

This case was prosecuted by Senior Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys Ami Miller and Jonathan D. Barker. It was investigated by the Springfield Police Dept. and Detective Eric Reece was the lead investigator assigned to the case.

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