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## Greenville Man Sentenced on Convictions for Criminal Sexual Conduct With Minor - First Degree and Lewd Act on a Minor

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that FREDERICK ROBERT CHAPPELL, age 44, was convicted on August 7, 2012, by a Greenville County jury on the charges of Lewd Act on a Minor and Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor First Degree. The Honorable D. Garrison Hill sentenced him to life without parole in the South Carolina Department of Corrections.

Evidence presented at the trial by Assistant Solicitor Mark Moyer established that FREDERICK ROBERT CHAPPELL sexually molested the granddaughter of his live in girlfriend between the years 2008 and 2010 when the victim was six to seven years of age. Chappell had previously been convicted of Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor in 1994 in Pickens County. He was sentenced to twenty years imprisonment on that crime and was released from the department of corrections on December 30, 2005. Chappell was also convicted and sentenced to twenty years imprisonment in March 2012 on five counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor for possessing child pornography.