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**Greenville County Man Convicted for Multiple Sexual Assaults, Unlawful Conduct
on a Child and Exposing Children to HIV**

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that WILLIAM LEE CARPENTER, Jr. age 57, was convicted on September 13, 2018, by a Greenville County jury of four counts of Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor First Degree, two counts of Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor Third Degree, two counts of Unlawful Conduct on a Child, and two counts of Exposing Another to HIV. CARPENTER was sentenced to 30 years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections by the Honorable Letitia H. Verdin. WILLIAM LEE CARPENTER will have to serve at least 85% of the 30 year sentence before he becomes eligible for parole.

Evidence presented at the trial by Assistant Solicitors Christy Kednocker Sustakovitch and Candace Clark established that Carpenter sexually assaulted a young boy and a girl, both between the ages of 7 and 10 years old at the time of the abuse. The sexual abuse took place at CARPENTER'S home in Travelers Rest between March 2014 and March 2016. The evidence established that the children were also exposed to the HIV virus by Carpenter. The sexual abuse was disclosed in June, 2016 and investigated by the Travelers Rest Police Department.