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## **PRESS RELEASE**For Immediate Release

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## Pickens Man Sentenced to 15 Years for Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that RUSSELL LEWIS EVANS, age 35, pled guilty to Criminal Sexual Conduct in the Third Degree on August 29, 2018 and was sentenced to fifteen years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections by the Honorable Alex Kinlaw. The defendant will be required to register as a sex offender, and will be on lifetime GPS monitoring upon release.

Evidence presented at the plea established that Russell Lewis Evans did sexually abuse a minor between 2014 and 2016 in Pickens County. The victim was eight years old when the sexual abuse began. This case was investigated by the Pickens County Sheriff's Office.