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**Central Man Sentenced on Criminal Sexual Conduct 1st degree and Possession with
the Intent to Distribute Methamphetamine**

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that FRED RUSSELL UREY, age 41, pled guilty on September 30, 2019 to Criminal Sexual Conduct in the First Degree and Possession of Methamphetamine with Intent to Distribute and was sentenced to 18 years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections by the Honorable Letitia Verdin. In addition to his active 18 year sentence, FRED RUSSELL UREY must register as a sex offender.

Evidence presented at the plea hearing by Assistant Solicitor Baker Cleveland established that between the dates of May 20th and May 24th 2017 the defendant, using aggravated force, committed sexual batteries against the victim, a 19-year-old woman, at his residence in Pickens County. During Mr. Urey's arrest, the Pickens County Sheriff's Office discovered 2.2 grams of methamphetamine in the defendant's possession. The victim fully cooperated with Pickens County Sheriff's Office and the Solicitor's Office. The case was investigated by the Pickens County Sheriff's Office Special Victim's Unit.