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People v. Jack A. Daniels, 19 CF 445

Sixty-one (61) year old Jack A. Daniels, formerly of Georgetown, Illinois, was sentenced today to twenty-five (25) years in the Illinois Department of Corrections by Vermilion County Judge Mark Goodwin for the offense of Predatory Criminal Sexual Assault of a Child. Daniels is required to serve at a minimum 85% of the sentence, and therefore will be over eighty (80) years of age when his sentence is complete. Daniels' sentence will be followed by three (3) years of mandatory supervised release (*i.e.*, parole). Daniels also will be required to provide a DNA sample that will be placed in a national criminal justice database, and he will be required to register as a sex offender for the remainder of his natural life.

At the sentencing hearing, Judge Goodwin heard evidence that during the summer of 2019, Daniels placed his mouth on the sex organ of a juvenile who was then eleven (11) years of age. Daniel abused other children as well, and the crimes against those victims were considered in the agreed to disposition in this matter. The Georgetown Police Department investigated the case, and obtained a confession from Daniels regarding the charge upon which he pleaded guilty.

State's Attorney Jacqueline Lacy avowed that she and her Office will continue to vigorously prosecute child sex offenders, and thanked the Georgetown Police Department, notably Captain Ephriam Bolin for his obtaining the necessary evidence to secure a conviction.