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**HULSEY CONVICTED OF SEX CRIMES AGAINST MULTIPLE CHILDREN
AFTER TRIAL – FACES LIFE IN PRISON**

Kendall County State's Attorney Eric Weis announced that Brian Hulsey of Oswego, Illinois, was found guilty of six (6) counts of Predatory Criminal Sexual Assault of a Child and one (1) count of Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse after a three- day trial that concluded last week. Hulsey was immediately taken into custody by Judge Steven Krentz where he will await sentencing later in May. Hulsey had been on electronic home monitoring pending the trial since his arrest on these charges.

Charges against Hulsey were filed after an investigation began in August of 2021, when three separate victims, all being family members of Hulsey, disclosed to law enforcement investigators that Hulsey had committed multiple horrific sexual acts upon each of them starting as early as 2018 when one victim was just 7 years old. Each victim was under the age of 13 when sexual assaults occurred to each of them. Each victim also completed a victim sensitive interview at the Kendall County Child Advocacy Center. Under Illinois law, two of the three interviews were played during the trial as evidence against Hulsey. Additionally, each of the three victims took the stand and described the sexual assault that Hulsey committed on each of them while in the home in Oswego. These horrific acts included anal penetration by Hulsey of two of the children.

Weis thanked the court for its attention and careful consideration of a sensitive and serious matter. Weis praised the hard work of the Aurora and Oswego Police Department in their investigation. Weis commended the dedication of the Kendall County Child Advocacy Center for their work with the interviews of these minor victims. Finally, Weis stated that the courage of these children to come forward, face their abuser in open court and testify about these horrific acts of sexual assault and abuse allowed for justice to be served for all three victims. Weis noted that each victim and several members of the victim's family were overcome with emotion when the verdicts were read in open court. Hulsey showed no emotion.

Due to Hulsey being convicted of Predatory Criminal Sexual Assault of two separate minor victims, he must be sentenced to natural life in prison without the possibility of early release. Weis commented that "based on these horrific acts, the defendant deserves to spend the rest of his life in prison." The case was successfully prosecuted by State's Attorney Eric Weis and Assistant State's Attorney Jennifer Cusack. Hulsey was represented by the Public Defender's Office.