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ALGONQUIN MAN WITH HISTORY OF FINANCIAL CRIMES GETS PRISON FOR HOME REPAIR FRAUD

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Kane County Associate Judge Alice C. Tracy today sentenced 34-year-old **David A. Regal** to 4 years' imprisonment in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

Regal on Sept. 6, 2019, pleaded guilty to the offenses of theft, Class 2 felony, and deceptive practice, Class 4 felony, for writing a bad check to a local car dealer.

Kane County Assistant State's Attorney Kelli Schmidt stated in court that between June 2012 and February 2015, Regal stole \$95,318 from the victim. The victim hired Regal to paint her Geneva home and complete other home-improvement projects. The victim paid Regal in advance for materials, but Regal never performed the work.

On Dec. 31, 2015, Regal wrote a check to a St. Charles car dealer for \$18,000 in exchange for a 2014 Dodge pick-up truck. The dealership attempted to deposit the check multiple times but was notified of insufficient funds. The dealership then contacted St. Charles police.

Judge Tracy ordered Regal to pay \$95,318 in restitution to the Geneva homeowner.

Regal has a 2004 felony conviction for fraud and a 2010 felony conviction for theft, both in McHenry County, and three misdemeanor convictions for related offenses.

In accordance with Illinois law, Regal is eligible for day-for-day sentencing. He receives credit for 115 days served in the Kane County jail.

Kane County State's Attorney Joe McMahon said:

"David Regal is a con man who swindled a woman out of nearly \$100,000. He belongs in prison. The only way to protect the public from people like Mr. Regal is to remove them from society. I am happy to oblige."

David A. Regal: Age 34 (d.o.b. 7-3-1985), of the 2600 block of Williamsburg Drive, Algonquin, Illinois. Case No. 16CF284 and 16CF943.