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CARPENTERSVILLE MAN WHO FAILED TO SHOW UP FOR SECOND DAY OF TRIAL FOUND GUILTY OF CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULTS

HUGO CONTRERAS WANTED ON ARREST WARRANT; FACES MINIMUM 27 YEARS IN PRISON

March 28, 2022

Kane County State's Attorney Jamie L. Mosser announces that Judge David R. Kliment has found 40-year-old **Hugo Contreras** guilty of the offenses of:

- Predatory criminal sexual assault of a child, Class X felony, 2 counts
- Criminal sexual assault, Class 1 felony, 3 counts
- Aggravated criminal sexual abuse, Class 2 felony, 5 counts
- Aggravated battery to a peace officer, Class 2 felony, 2 counts
- Resisting/obstructing a peace officer, Class A misdemeanor

Contreras waived his right to a jury trial.

Kane County Assistant State's Attorneys Tyler Cox and Katy Flannagan presented evidence that, between 2012 and 2018, Contreras sexually assaulted the victims multiple times. Both victims were younger than 13 years old when the assaults began. The older of the victims disclosed the abuse to her school counselor, who contacted authorities.

When Carpentersville police went to Contreras' home to arrest him, Contreras fought with the officers and resisted their attempts to take him into custody, causing minor injuries to the officers.

Contreras posted \$25,000 bond in April 2018 and was released. He was present in court for the first day of his trial on March 21, 2022. However, he failed to appear in court for the scheduled completion of the trial on March 22, 2022, prompting Judge Kliment to issue a warrant for his arrest. Contreras' whereabouts are unknown. Anyone with information about Contreras or where he might be located should call 911 or the Kane County Sheriff's Office at (630) 232-8400.

Judge Kliment set Contreras' next court appearance for 1:30 p.m. May 27, 2022, in Courtroom 305 at the Kane County Judicial Center for motions and sentencing. Contreras faces a minimum sentence of 27 years of imprisonment in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

In addition to the prison term, Contreras must register for life as a sexual offender in accordance with the Illinois Sexual Offender Registration Act.

ASA Cox said:

"The victims in this case bravely faced their abuser in court and testified about the habitual abuse he perpetrated on them. After the victims testified, the defendant made the cowardly choice of not appearing in court for the second day of the bench trial. Judge Kliment issued a warrant for the apprehension of the defendant due to his absence in court, and law enforcement agencies are continuing in their pursuit to locate him. My thanks to the victims and their family for their courage and perseverance. The successful prosecution of this case would not have been possible without ASA Flannagan and the teamwork of the Kane County Child Advocacy Center, victim advocate Cindy Barrett, Investigator Tim Bosshart, and the Carpentersville Police Department."

Hugo Contreras: Age 40 (d.o.b. 3-12-1982), of the 100 block of Mora Road, Carpentersville, Illinois. Case No. 2018CF743.