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### **ELGIN MAN GUILTY OF SEXUALLY ASSAULTING CHILD**

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An Elgin man faces a minimum sentence of nearly three decades in prison after he was convicted of having sexual contact with a young child he knew.

Armando Vega, 51 (d.o.b. 12-31-1963), most recently of the 300 block of Shiloh Lane, Elgin, was convicted late Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2015, by a Kane County jury of four counts of predatory criminal sexual assault, each a Class X felony.

Prosecutors presented evidence that between February 2007 and February 2011 Vega committed multiple sexual acts with the victim while she was sleeping on the sofa at a relative's home. Vega knew the victim, who was younger than 13 years old.

Associate Judge Clint Hull set Vega's next court appearance for 1 p.m. March 13, 2015, in Courtroom 311 at the Kane County Judicial Center for motions and sentencing. Vega faces a minimum sentence of 27 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

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

Vega had been free on \$7,500 bond. After the conviction, Vega's bond was revoked and he was taken into custody at the Kane County jail.

"We cannot stress enough our admiration and respect for the courage shown by child victims of sexual assault when they come forward to tell their story, especially when they've been victimized by an adult who should be caring for and protecting them," Kane County State's Attorney Joe McMahon said.

The case was prosecuted by Kane County Assistant State's Attorneys Lori Schmidt and Andrew Whitfield.