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**Greenville Man Sentenced on Criminal Sexual Conduct With a Minor, First Degree
and Lewd Act on a Child**

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that FREDERICK ROBERT CHAPPELL, age 54, was convicted on April 7, 2022 by a Greenville County jury of Criminal Sexual Conduct With a Minor First Degree, and Lewd Act on a Child and was sentenced to a total sixty years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections by the Honorable Perry Gravely.

Evidence presented at the trial by Assistant Solicitor Jeff Phillips established that between 2009 and 2010, FREDERICK ROBERT CHAPPELL sexually assaulted a minor multiple times over a two year period. Mr. Chappell used his position as the victim's grandmother's boyfriend, and gained her trust over a period of a couple of years before beginning his sexual assaults. The victim's mom discovered the assault and took the victim to the hospital, and the Greenville County Sheriff's office began an investigation. The Julie Valentine Center provided invaluable assistance in their forensic interview of the child. Mr. Chappell was convicted of these acts in 2012, but it was returned on appeal in 2019 before the retrial this week.