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Greenville County Postal Carrier Sentenced for Sexual Assault of 13 year Old Boy

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that MATTHEW BLYTH KERR JR, age 46, pled guilty to Lewd Act Upon a Child (South Carolina Code § 16-15-140) for sexually assaulting a thirteen year old Greenville County boy and sentenced by the Honorable Edward Miller to 12 years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections. Evidence presented at the plea hearing established that Kerr met the child after becoming friends with his family. He was a neighbor of the child and attended different events with him and his family. Then, between April 4, 2008 and May 11, 2008, Kerr performed oral sex on the child while the child was spending the night at Kerr's house. The child disclosed the abuse to his mother several weeks later and police were notified. The victim moved out of state and could not be located for some time. However, Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor's Office investigators were able to locate the victim living out West and arrange for his attendance at trial today. The case was prosecuted by Assistant Solicitor Christy Kednocker Sustakovitch.