

State of South Carolina
Solicitor, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit

Telephone: 864-467-8647
Telefax: 864-467-8610



Greenville County Courthouse
305 E. North Street, Suite 325
Greenville, SC 29601-2185

Solicitor
W. WALTER WILKINS

PRESS RELEASE
For Immediate Release

March 15, 2012

**Greenville Man Found Guilty of Criminal Sexual Conduct with a
Minor**

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that DANTAE RAHEEVE STUKES, age 31 was convicted on March 15, 2012 by a Greenville County jury of Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor, 2nd Degree and sentenced to fifteen years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections by the Honorable C. Victor Pyle. STUKES will have to serve at least 85% of the fifteen year sentence before he become eligible for parole.

Evidence presented at trial by Assistant Solicitor Kris Hodge established that between January 5, 2009 and May 31, 2009, STUKES committed a sexual battery on a juvenile female who was staying with him and his family while her parents were out of town for work. The Defendant's family entrusted the care of their fourteen year old daughter to STUKES. When confronted about the sexual battery allegation, the defendant attempted to use the excuse of educating the child about sex. The incident occurred at the defendant's residence located in the Greenville city limits. Detective Mary Ashley Thomas was the lead investigator for the Greenville Police Department.

