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**Serial Sex Offender Sentenced to 25 years in
Greenville County Child Sexual Assault case**

Thirteenth Circuit Solicitor Walt Wilkins states that MICHAEL JOSEPH ISAKSON, age 49, pled guilty to Assault with Intent to Commit Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor First Degree and Assault with Intent to Commit Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor Second Degree. The first charge carries a sentencing range of between a mandatory minimum 10 years to 30 years in prison. The second charge carries up to 20 years in prison. The Honorable Judge Edward Miller sentenced Isakson to 25 years in the South Carolina Department of Corrections for Assault with Intent to Commit Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor First Degree and 20 years for Assault with Intent to Commit Criminal Sexual Conduct with a Minor Second Degree. The sentences are to run concurrently.

Evidence presented at the plea hearing by Assistant Solicitor Christy Kednocker Sustakovitch established that Isakson was a neighbor of the boy after he met the victim's family in 2008. He offered babysitting services to the child's mother at times while she was working. He then moved in with the family where the abuse occurred after the victim turned 15 years old. A family member walked in on Isakson assaulting the victim late one evening in September 2010 and police were called. Isakson is a registered sex offender who has four prior sexual assault convictions out of the state of Oregon including Sodomy (Two Counts) and Sexual Abuse First Degree (Two Counts). He will have to serve 85% of the 25 year sentence before he is eligible for parole.