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PRESS RELEASE

SENTENCED: Joseph Corvino

**Current address:
Warren County Correctional Center**

**Prior address:
246 Lake of the Pines
East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania 18301
DOB: October 26, 1961**

The above named defendant was sentenced today by Warren County Judge John H. Pursel, J.S.C. for his conviction following a jury verdict on October 31, 2007 as well as a guilty plea on January 31, 2008 involving two minor females. The cases had previously been ordered severed for purposes of trial.

A Warren County jury found the defendant guilty of the following crimes involving a female victim who was between 9 and 10 years old during the sexual assaults. The crimes involved an act of sexual penetration and acts of sexual contact between December 1, 2000 and August 31, 2001.

- 1 Count of Aggravated Sexual Assault – 1st degree
- 3 Counts of Sexual Assault – 2nd degree
- 3 Counts of Endangering the Welfare of a Child – 2nd degree

After the guilty verdict, the State filed a Motion before the trial court asking that the defendant be sentenced to an extended term as a persistent offender. That motion was granted today and on the charge of first degree Aggravated Sexual Assault the defendant was sentenced to a term of 20 years in the New Jersey State Prison. The defendant was also ordered to serve at least 10 years without the possibility of parole. The defendant was sentenced to terms of 10 years each for the remaining 6

charges to be served concurrently to the 20 years. The defendant has 250 days of jail credit.

The defendant was acquitted of two counts. One count of 4th degree Lewdness and one count of 2nd degree Endangering the Welfare of a Child.

The defendant was also sentenced for 1 count of second degree Sexual Assault involving an additional 11 year old female victim as a result of his guilty plea on January 31, 2008. The crime involved an act of sexual contact on September 26, 1990.

The trial court sentenced the defendant to 7 years in New Jersey State Prison to be served concurrently to the other charges. In exchange for his guilty plea, two additional counts of second degree Sexual Assault were dismissed.

In addition to the term of imprisonment, the defendant was ordered to have no contact with the victims forever, is subject to Megan's Law and Community Supervision for Life, ordered to submit a DNA sample, and ordered to pay mandatory fines and penalties.

The trial and guilty plea were presided over by John H. Pursel, J.S.C. Assistant Prosecutor Christine Engiles handled the case on behalf of the State. She was assisted by Assistant Prosecutor Kevin Brotzman. The defendant was represented by Stephanie P. Tettermer, Esq.

The investigation of this matter was conducted by Detective Vincent Torre of the Warren County Prosecutor's Office and Detective James Newman of the Mansfield Township Police Department.



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