

**News Release from
The Honorable Sandra Doorley
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**Jason Ekiert Convicted of two counts of Criminal Sexual Act in the 2nd
Degree, Sexual Abuse in the 3rd Degree, and Criminal Sexual Act in the 3rd
Degree**

Rochester, NY- On Wednesday, December 14, 2022, following a bench trial, 45-year-old Jason Ekiert was convicted by Monroe County Court Judge Baily Turner of two counts of Criminal Sexual Act in the 2nd Degree, Sexual Abuse in the 3rd Degree, and Criminal Sexual Act in the 3rd Degree for the continuous sexual abuse of a child under fifteen years old between July 1, 2014 and September 30, 2016. This case was investigated by the Gates Police Department.

This case was prosecuted by Special Assistant District Attorney Kevin Sunderland, of the Special Victims Unit.

“The only reason Jason Ekiert is being held responsible for his heinous actions is because the victim was courageous enough to face him in court,” said Assistant District Attorney Kevin Sunderland. “I cannot overstate the strength of this victim who spoke out against her abuser. Jason Ekiert was a trusted adult in this child’s life, but instead of protecting her, he sexually abused her for years. Thank you to this survivor, whose strength is helping to ensure that Jason Ekiert cannot abuse another child.”

“Jason Ekiert is a sexual offender who will now be held accountable for his years of horrific abuse,” said Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley. “This defendant deserves a lengthy sentence for these heinous acts he committed against this young survivor. It is the hope of the Monroe County District Attorney’s Office this conviction provides some relief as she continues to heal from her trauma.”

Jason Ekiert will be sentenced on January 12, 2023, in front of Monroe County Court Judge Bailey Turner. He faces up to 18 years in the New York State Department of Corrections. He is scheduled for trial on a separate sexual abuse indictment on April 12, 2023.

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