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Sexual Predator found guilty of multiple instances of sexual assault of a child under 9 years of age.

Kendall County State's Attorney Eric Weis announced that Angel Gallegos-Ortiz (dob: 09/2/1986) formerly of Aurora, Illinois was found guilty of two counts of Predatory Criminal Sexual Assault of a Child and one count of Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse by the Honorable Robert Pilmer after a Bench Trial last week.

According to Weis, the crimes were committed between August of 2013 and April of 2015 by Gallegos-Ortiz who had been in a dating relationship with the victim's mother. Trial testimony revealed that the assaults would occur while the victim's mother was at work, and Gallegos-Ortiz would babysit. The case was originally investigated and charged by the Kane County State's Attorney's Office as it was tied to an investigation that had been investigated by the Kane County Child Advocacy Center. It was revealed that there were multiple instances of sexual assault that occurred in the Kane County portion of Aurora. The instances of sexual assault that occurred in Kane County were tried before the Covid pandemic and Gallegos-Ortiz was sentenced to over 20 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections for those charges. The instances of sexual assault that occurred in Kendall County were transferred to Kendall County, and were in a holding pattern for the majority of the pandemic.

Weis commented, "The strength our victim showed, telling the judge about the repeated sexual assault she faced at the hands of this defendant, it was astonishing. She is the hero of this story, and it was her courageous testimony that lead to the conviction of sexual predator."

Gallegos-Ortiz will be sentenced in December and will face a minimum of 12 to 60 additional years in prison which will be in addition to his current prison sentence. The case was prosecuted by both State's Attorney Weis, and Assistant State's Attorney Frank S. Gorup. Attorneys from the Public Defender's Office represented Gallegos-Ortiz