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PEMBROKE MAN SENTENCED TO STATE PRISON FOR CHILD RAPE

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BROCKTON – A Pembroke man has been sentenced to State Prison after he was found guilty of child rape and other assault charges, Plymouth County District Timothy J. Cruz announced today.

On December 13, 2018, after a two-day trial, a jury deliberated three hours before finding James Waterman (7/10/75) guilty of two counts each of Rape of a Child, Incest, Open and Gross Lewdness and one count of Indecent Assault and Battery. Waterman was acquitted of one count each of Indecent Assault and Battery and Lewd and Lascivious Behavior.

In June, 2017, an adult female reported to Pembroke Police that Waterman had repeatedly sexually abused and raped on numerous occasions two female victims under the age of 14. It was additionally reported that he exposed himself to those victims as well as other juvenile females. The assaults, which took place in Pembroke, began in 2011 and occurred on various dates. Pembroke Police contacted the District Attorney's Office and an investigation ensued.

Today, Brockton Superior Court Judge Cornelius Moriarty sentenced Waterman to serve four years to four years and one day in State Prison, to be followed by three years of Probation. The Commonwealth requested that Waterman be sentenced to serve 10-12 years in State Prison. As part of the sentence, Waterman must register with the Sex Offender Registry Board and wear a GPS monitoring bracelet while on Probation.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Amanda Fowle and was investigated by Pembroke Police.