## News Release from The Honorable Sandra Doorley

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## **Anthony Perri Sentenced to 21 Years in Prison**

Rochester, NY- Today, Judge Victoria Argento sentenced Anthony Perri to 21 years in prison following his conviction in October on three counts of Sexual Abuse in the First Degree and three counts of Endangering the Welfare of a Child for sexual assaults that he carried out on three juvenile victims on January 24<sup>th</sup> and July 17<sup>th</sup> of 2012 in two area libraries. On those dates, Perri approached the victims while they read books at the libraries and removed their footwear before inappropriately touching their feet. The Judge sentenced Perri to the maximum 7 years for each of the three counts, ordering that they be served consecutively.

William Gargan, Chief of the District Attorney's Office Domestic Violence Bureau, appealed to the Judge for the maximum sentence, citing Perri's prior convictions for Robbery in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree and Attempted Murder in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree. The Judge agreed that Perri's past, coupled with the nature of his most recent crimes, warranted the 21 year maximum. In addition to the prison sentence, Perri will be required to register as a Sex Offender upon release, when he will begin 10 years of Post Release Supervision.

"Much has been made about the bizarre nature of both the defendant's inital actions and his behavior since his arrest, but the crimes that he committed were serious, as reflected by the sentence," said Gargan.

Perri, who has remained in custody since his initial arrest, will begin serving his sentence immediately.

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