

**News Release from
The Honorable Sandra Doorley
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**Rashad Muhammad Convicted of Predatory Sexual Assault Against a Child
and Rape in the 2nd Degree**

Rochester, NY- Tuesday, February 28, a Monroe County Jury convicted 30-year-old Rashad Muhammad of two counts of Predatory Sexual Assault Against a Child and Rape in the 2nd Degree for the ongoing sexual abuse of a child under thirteen years old. The abuse occurred in the City of Rochester from 2012-2016.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Sara VanStrydonck, Chief of the Child Abuse Bureau.

“Rashad Muhammad is behind bars today because of the strength and fortitude of the victim during this trial and the investigation,” said Assistant District Attorney Sara VanStrydonck. “Thanks to the investigation conducted by the Rochester Police Department with help from the Bivona Child Advocacy Center and Strong Memorial Hospital, the victim and the community are safe from Rashad Muhammad’s evil. It is the hope of the Monroe County District Attorney’s Office that the victim can heal and continue to move on from the years of abuse.”

Rashad Muhammad will be sentenced on April 13, 2018, by County Court Judge Sam L. Valleriani and faces up to 20 years to life in the New York State Department of Corrections.

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