New Bedford Child Rapist to Serve Up To Two Decades in Prison

A 48-year-old New Bedford man who raped his former girlfriend's teenage relative was sentenced to serve 15 to 20 years in state prison yesterday, Bristol County District Attorney Thomas M. Quinn III announced.

Brian Hayde was convicted of rape of a child-aggravated by age after a three-day jury trial in Fall River Superior Court.

In 2013, the defendant was dating the victim's older relative and was living in the same home with the woman and the child. On November 9, 2013, while the woman was at work, the defendant entered the bedroom of the teenage girl and sexually assaulted her. The victim testified at trial that testified that the defendant sucked on her breast, inserted his fingers into her vagina, and inserted his penis into her vagina.

The victim was treated at Saint Luke's Hospital and underwent a SANE exam. The results of the rape kit showed that the defendant's saliva was located inside of the victim's vagina and on her breast. The defendant's sperm was also located in the victim's perianal area.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Gillian Kirsch and Deputy District Attorney William McCauley. The 15 to 20 year state prison term was handed down by Judge Thomas McGuire.

"This defendant was an opportunist who preyed on a young girl who was 27 years younger. It was very difficult for the victim to testify in this case and I commend her for getting through this ordeal," District Attorney Quinn said. "The conduct engaged in by the defendant is despicable and the sentence

imposed by the court is justified."