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Child rapist convicted in Suffolk County court after three week trial

A 28 year old West Babylon man faces up to 50 years-to-life in prison following his conviction today in Suffolk County court on charges of predatory sexual assault against a child, sexual abuse and other crimes.

Suffolk County District Attorney Thomas Spota said the defendant, Juan T. Ramirez Jr., raped and sexually abused a female younger than eleven years old in May of 2010.

"Through the efforts of the Suffolk County police detectives in the computer crimes and special victims sections we were able to recover images of the victim from the media card in the defendant's cell phone even though he had deleted them," Spota said. "That key evidence as well as DNA and medical evidence presented at trial resulted in today's guilty verdict," Spota said.

Jury deliberations after a three week trial began Wednesday (May 18) afternoon. The defendant will be sentenced June 17.

The jury found Ramirez guilty of two counts of predatory sexual assault against a child, first degree sexual abuse and criminal sexual act in the first degree.

Assistant district attorneys Adina Weidenbaum and Laurie Moroff of the SCDA Child Abuse and Domestic Violence Bureau prosecuted the case.



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