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**RE: COLBY L. SANDERS SENTENCED ON MULTIPLE COUNTS OF  
CHILDMOLESTATION, STATUTORY SODOMY AND FORCIBLE RAPE**

OZARK, MO – The Christian County Prosecuting Attorney's Office announced today that Colby L. Sanders, dob: 07/31/1970 of Ozark, Missouri was sentenced to the Missouri Department of Corrections after being previously found guilty by a jury on December 6, 2012. The jury found him guilty of two counts of child molestation in the first degree, two counts of statutory sodomy in the first degree, one count of forcible rape and one count of forcible sodomy.

Judge Orr had ordered that the Missouri Department of Corrections prepare a sentencing assessment report. After reviewing the report and hearing from both the State and the defense, Judge Orr sentenced Sanders to fifteen years on each count of Child Molestation in the First Degree, forty years on each count of Statutory Sodomy in the First Degree, forty years on the conviction of Forcible Rape and forty year on the conviction of Forcible Sodomy. Judge Orr ordered that the sentence were to run concurrent with each other.

The convictions for Statutory Sodomy in the First degree, Forcible Rape and Forcible Sodomy require that the defendant serve eighty-five percent of his sentence before he is eligible for parole. The defendant would also be subject to lifetime supervision by the Missouri Department of Correction and lifetime registration as a sex offender should he ever be released from prison.