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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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**DATE:** MAY 16, 2016

RE: SHAUN BUDD SENTENCED TO TWELVE YEARS IN THE MISSOURI

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

OZARK, MO – The Christian County Prosecuting Attorney's Office announced that on May 13, 2016 SHAUN M. BUDD DOB: 4/22/1998 of Ozark, MO was sentenced to TWELVE (12) years in the Missouri Department of Corrections by the Honorable Judge Laura Johnson. Budd previously had pled guilty on 2/19/2016 to three counts of statutory sodomy 1<sup>st</sup> degree with a child less than 12. This plea was pursuant to a plea agreement wherein the agreed term of years was twelve (12) on each count to run concurrent with the State opposing probation. On May 13, 2016, the State requested the Court to sentence the defendant to the Missouri Department of Corrections and defendant through counsel requested the Court to place Defendant on probation. The Court heard arguments from counsel for the State and counsel for Defendant as well as the victim's mother and the Defendant's grandmother and step-father prior to sentencing Defendant to TWELVE (12) YEARS on each count to run concurrent and be served in the Missouri Department of Corrections with probation denied.

All three counts involve the defendant having deviate sexual intercourse with a five- year-old girl. The acts occurred on July 22, 2015 at a residence in Ozark, MO.

This case was investigated by the Christian County Sheriff's Office and prosecuted by Prosecuting Attorney Amy Fite.

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