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Bacliff Man Sentenced to 20 Years in Prison For Indecency with a Child

GALVESTON – A Galveston County jury has sentenced a Bacliff man to twenty years in prison for indecency by contact with a child.

In 2019, Galveston County Sheriff's officers learned that a teenage girl in Bacliff was had been sexually abused by her uncle, three years earlier, when she was eleven. Additional investigation revealed that the suspect, Anthony Green, had also abused his step-daughter, who was eleven at the time.

Green was indicted for Indecency with a Child by Contact, a second degree felony, for both charges. The trial for Green's assault of his niece started Monday. Both victims, who are now seventeen, testified against Green. Prosecutors Dulce Salazar and Krystal Bell rested the State's case after one day, and the jury found Green guilty Tuesday morning after deliberating approximately thirty minutes.

As punishment evidence, Special Victim's Unit ADA Salazar presented testimony of a third victim who had been abused by Green in the 1990s when she was twelve. Green avoided prison in that case, in another county, by pleading guilty to injury to a child. Salazar told the jury that Green had already been given a second chance and asked for the maximum sentence of twenty years in prison. Tuesday afternoon, the jury sentenced Green to twenty years in prison and a fine of \$10,000.00. After the trial, jurors said the victims were very strong.

After being found guilty of Indecency with a Child by Contact involving his niece, Green pled guilty to the charge involving his step-daughter and was sentenced to twenty years in prison by the court. Green will serve his sentences concurrently and will be eligible for parole after serving ten years.

The Galveston County Criminal District Attorney commends the Galveston County Sheriff's Office for their work in this case, as well as the Galveston County District Clerk's Office for providing safety protocols during the trial.

Cause Nos. 19-CR-2010 and 19-CR-2009, 212th Judicial District Court, Judge Patricia Grady presiding.