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**PRESS RELEASE**

State Attorney Bill Eddins announced today that on July 16, 2015 a Santa Rosa County Jury found David Craig Colville guilty of ten counts of Sexual Battery upon a Child by a Person in Familial or Custodial Authority, one count of Lewd or Lascivious Molestation, and one count of Lewd or Lascivious Conduct.

The 36 year old Pace man committed the crimes between April 1, 2011 and December 31, 2013 at various Santa Rosa County residences where Colville lived during that time. Colville began to engage in sexual acts with the victim when she was in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The child reported the sexual abuse in September 2014 and the Santa Rosa County Sheriff's Office conducted an investigation which led to Colville's arrest on October 11, 2014.

Immediately following the verdict, Circuit Judge John F. Miller revoked Colville's bond and remanded him to custody. Sentencing is scheduled for August 11, 2015. Colville faces a maximum possible sentence of 330 years in prison. Colville also faces charges of Lewd or Lascivious Battery and Lewd or Lascivious Conduct involving a second victim. That case is scheduled for trial August 24, 2015.

The investigation was conducted by Monica Toole of the Santa Rosa County Sheriff's Office and the case was prosecuted by Assistant State Attorney Stephanie G. Pace. For further information, please contact Stephanie Pace at 850-983-4453.