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TWO MEN SENTENCED IN CHILD SEX ABUSE RELATED CASES

A Pennsylvania man charged in August 2022 was sentenced this week to sexual assault, Hunterdon County Prosecutor Renée Robeson announced.

On May 12, 2023, Joshua F. Daranijo, 24, of Levittown, PA, was sentenced before Hunterdon County Superior Court Judge Angela F. Borkowski to concurrent 7-year terms in New Jersey State Prison on three counts of second-degree sexual assault by contact and one count of third-degree endangering the welfare of a child for knowingly possessing items depicting the sexual exploitation of a child, as well as to a 5-year term on a count of possession of child sexual abuse material, which, under the No Early Release Act, will require him to serve 85 percent of his sentence before being eligible for parole.

Upon his release, Mr. Daranijo will be required to register as a sex offender and be subject to Parole Supervision for Life.

The sentence follows a guilty plea as a result of an investigation conducted by the Hunterdon County Prosecutor's Office's Special Victims Unit. Mr. Daranijo admitted in court to sexual contact with children under the age of 13 and to possessing child sexual abuse material while a camp counselor at YMCA Camp Bernie.

Hunterdon County Prosecutor Renée Robeson further announced that a Clinton Township man in a separate case was sentenced last week for possession of child sexual abuse material.

Matheu Goncalves, 24, of Clinton Township, NJ, pleaded guilty on October 21, 2022, to second-degree possession of child sexual abuse material for a recommended 8-year term in New Jersey State Prison. On May 5, 2023, Judge Borkowski sentenced Mr. Goncalves to a 6-year term at the Adult Diagnostic & Treatment Center for sex offender treatment.

Upon his release, Mr. Goncalves will be required to register as a sex offender under Megan's Law and be subject to Parole Supervision for Life.

The guilty plea and sentencing were the result of a joint investigation conducted by the Hunterdon County Prosecutor's Office Forensics Unit, Special Victims Unit, and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

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