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STATE V. BRIAN SCHERFEL – SENTENCING AFTER JURY TRIAL

Prosecutor Jennifer Webb-McRae announces:

On August 28, 2025, a Cumberland County Jury returned verdicts of guilty against Defendant Brian Scherfel, age 34 and previously of Millville, on thirteen counts. Specifically, the Defendant was found guilty of First-Degree Aggravated Sexual Assault, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:14-2(a)(1), First-Degree Aggravated Sexual Assault, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C: 14-2(a)(2)(a), Second-Degree Sexual Assault, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:14-2(b), Second-Degree Sexual Assault, contrary to the provisions of 2C: 14-2(c)(1), Second-Degree Sexual Assault, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C: 14-2(c)(4), Third-Degree Aggravated Criminal Sexual Contact, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C: 14-3(a), Fourth-Degree Criminal Sexual Contact, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C: 14-3(b), Second-Degree Endangering the Welfare of a Child, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4(a)(1), Second-Degree Endangering the Welfare of a Child, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4(a)(2), Second-Degree Endangering the Welfare of a Child, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4(a)(2), First-Degree Aggravated Sexual Assault, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C: 14-2(a)(2)(a), Second-Degree Sexual Assault, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:14-2(b), and Second-Degree Endangering the Welfare of a Child, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4(a)(1).

During the trial, the State presented evidence that the Defendant sexually and physically assaulted two juvenile females. Specifically, the State presented evidence that on varying dates between 2017 and 2022, the Defendant sexually assaulted one victim between ages of eight-years-old and thirteen-years-old. The State also presented evidence that on varying dates in 2016, the Defendant sexually assaulted the other victim at the age of six-years-old. This occurred in Millville, New Jersey.

On Thursday, February 19, 2026, the Honorable Niki Arbittier sentenced the Defendant to an aggregate term

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of 75 years imprisonment. The Defendant will be required to serve 67.5 years before being eligible for parole. He will be approximately 101 years old in 2093, before he is eligible for release. Upon release, the Defendant would be required to comply with the registration requirements of Megan's Law and the conditions of Parole Supervision for Life. The prosecution was represented by Cumberland County Assistant Prosecutors Erin McGlynn and Caitlin Flynn. The Defendant was represented by Terry Stomel, Esq.