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Man Sentenced to Life in Prison for Sexual Battery



On October 28, 2009, 12th Judicial Circuit Court Judge Deno Economou sentenced Carroll Hartlove to life in prison for sexually assaulting two young girls.

Hartlove was convicted October 23, 2009, on eight counts, including four for Felony Capital Sexual Battery, which carry a mandatory life sentence, as well as Lewd or Lascivious Molestation and Lewd or Lascivious Solicitation.

On August 15, 2008, Sarasota County Sheriff's Office detectives arrested Hartlove after two teenagers came forward, detailing years of sexual abuse and threats. Further investigation found he had also assaulted a third child.