

JUDGE FINDS JEFFERY CHANDLER GUILTY OF STATUTORY SODOMY,  
STATUTORY RAPE AND INCEST

TROY, Mo. – Lincoln County Prosecuting Attorney, Leah W. Askey, announced today that Jeffery Chandler, 51, of Lincoln County, Missouri, was found guilty and was sentenced for raping and sodomizing his developmentally disabled, daughter during 2008 and 2009.

The Honorable James Beck sentenced Chandler to 21 years in the Missouri Department of Corrections for two counts of Statutory Sodomy in the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree and one count of Statutory Rape in the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree and 4 years in the Missouri Department of Corrections for the crime of Incest.

The charges arose from disclosures made by Chandler's teenage daughter to school officials in 2010.

"We strive to gain closure for the victims as quickly as possible. Our victim in this case has special needs which created an even more delicate situation. She was a great witness for the State and I was very proud of her courage." said Assistant PA Casey Brooks.

"These are the cases that keep us awake at night. I am not sure there is punishment great enough for anyone that would harm their child in this way," said PA Leah W. Askey.

**This case was prosecuted by Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys Casey Brooks and Spencer Curtis. It was investigated by the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office.**

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