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CONVICTION OF RAMEY ARCENEUX FOR MOLESTATION OF A JUVENILE

Hahnville, Louisiana September 20, 2022:

On Friday, September 16, 2022, a St. Charles Parish jury convicted 46-year-old Ramey Arceneaux former resident of Bayou Gauche, Louisiana after a four-day trial for molestation of a juvenile.

Judge Connie M. Aucoin presided over the trial. The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorneys, Casey Dieck and Rochelle Champagne Fahrig. After about two hours of deliberation, the jury returned a guilty verdict on count one – molestation of a juvenile under 13 years of age and count two – molestation of a juvenile over 13 under 17 years of age for more than one year. Arceneaux was immediately taken into custody and bond was set at \$500,000. He was later released, pending sentencing, after posting \$50,000 cash.

Arceneaux was originally arrested in September 2019 following an investigation conducted by Detective Steven Fontenot of the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office Juvenile Investigations Division. "This conviction was achieved through dedication and cooperation by both the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office and the St. Charles Parish District Attorney's Office," said Sheriff Champagne. "I want to thank the deputies and detectives who tirelessly investigated the crimes committed by Ramey Arceneaux. I want to also thank Assistant District Attorneys, Casey Dieck and Rochelle Champagne Fahrig for their dedication to the pursuit of justice."

Judge Aucoin has ordered a pre-sentence investigation and sentencing is set for December 2, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. Count one carries a sentence of 25 years to 99 years at hard labor. Count two carries a sentence of five to 40 years with or without hard labor.