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NORTHERN VIRGINA, USA -- A man was sentenced today in Arlington County for crimes against humanity.

Sexual predation of a juvenile. For the crime of sexual assault, to wit, abduction with intent to defile, the defendant pled to the lesser felony of abduction by force/intimidation. The Commonwealth Prosecutor proffered to the Court that the Commonwealth accepted the offer to plead to the lesser felony only in order to bring closure to the family of the victim. The lesser felony, however, is the enhancement on top of the charge resulting from the actual cause of damage to the victim. The Prosecution described the difficult work of parsing out how to hold the Defendant accountable for "the worst part" of, not just the assault, but the whole conduct of the Defendant with respect to the victim and their family. The Father of the victim was called by the Prosecution and, assuming the witness stand, testified as to the grave effect of the defendant's rape of his child. It was reported by the witness in his testimony, and clerk thereafter, that the Defendant smirked at the witness for the duration of his testimony.

The Prosecution entreated the Court to take the Defendant's testimony with "a huge grain of salt," because it is the actions and the words and the demeanor of the Defendant before this Court that the Court should consider. Sexual assault is an historically underreported crime, the Prosecution said, because it forces the victim to disclose incredibly vulnerable things A SERMON.... Copyright 2019 by Antarah A. Crawley. All Rights Reserved. No part of this work may be reproduced, stored in any retrieval system, or transmitted by any form or by any means, electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recording, or otherwise, without prior written permission from the Author.

about themselves that they would never otherwise do with strangers. Victims run the risk of people shunning them, people not believing them, being subjected to repeated interview by multiple law enforcement officers, being subjected to hospital exams, probes, and photographs, and then being subjected to trial, to testify in re the matter in open court before a tribunal of strangers. The Prosecution prayed that the Court do what it can in this case to ensure that no other victim has to endure that to which the victim was subjected by the Defendant. The Prosecution affirmed that the victim's light would continue to shine bright and that often times people succeed in spite of what has happened; they don't want it to happen to anyone else and they don't want to be defined by what has happed. But if they struggle on their rough and rugged road to recovery, they should at least be vindicated by the judgment of the Court. In closing their argument the Prosecution stated that these facts are incredibly difficult for any parent to have to articulate, they're difficult for the Commonwealth to have to articulate, no doubt they were difficult for the Court to hear, but they were clearly not difficult for the defendant to commit, wherefore the Court should fashion an appropriate sentence.

Upon the sentencing of the Defendant, the Defendant was permitted to address the Court with some last words before judgment, whereupon the Defendant testified as follow:

First of all I want thank God for giving us another day of life. I understand the problem that [the victim and their family] feel, and the attorney. I know that they have judged me and criticized me as a bad person. But they weren't there at the time. The world can hide a lot of things. But not what's in a person's heart. They only see the dark side. But they don't see the clear side. A person who has dedicated themselves to helping other people free themselves of vices. A person who has been raised in religion. And I have put everything in God's hands. And I ask God for forgiveness. I ask my family who is suffering for me, and [the victim's] family, may God bless them. In this world no one is perfect. We all make mistakes. One learns from their mistakes. Why not give someone another chance to contribute to this country. And to see things from the clear side. To help people who live on the streets. To counsel them that vices are not good. To reach into their hearts, and say wise words, that everything is possible. May God bless you all, today and forever, and thank you everything. And please remember no one is perfect. The prosecutor could say that I am a flying bird. I don't know if she has children, but she doesn't know

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their future. What we sow we reap. So we shouldn't judge without knowing. God bless you for everything.

The Court expressed concern that the Defendant was unremorseful, and that it had never heard the Defendant apologize to the victim or their family. The Court was further concerned that the Defendant repeatedly went out of their way to villainize the victim and disparage their character. Wherefore, the Court found the guidelines in this case to be woefully inadequate, and, after extensive preponderance on the matter, the Court determined that a substantial sentence is warranted, but that the Defendant should be subject to post-release supervision and treatment in order to protect the community from their behavior; wherefore the court sentenced the Defendant to ten years in the penitentiary, and suspended five years above their head for a period of ten years subject to supervised probation under supervision of the Probation Office with such special conditions as sex offender evaluation and treatment as well as any program and counseling including polygraph, mental health evaluation, and no contact with minors, the victim, or their family.

The Convicted Felon was permitted to address the Court again, whereupon they testified as follows:

Yes, perhaps I don't speak English, but I'm sorry and I want to say I'm sorry to [the victim] and their family. And if one hasn't said anything it's because one hasn't been allowed to. But I am sorry, and I'm sorry from the bottom of my heart.

The Court affirmed that the sentenced has been fashioned to punish the conduct of the Felon in its entirety and also to put some safeguards in place to protect the community should the Felon be released back into it.

In other news for at-risk populations in the Courthouse of Arlington County, a young man suffering from drug use disorder was not sentenced today. The Court deferred further proceedings for a period of two years under Code of Virginia Section 18.2-251 (Crimes and Offenses, for Persons Charged on First Offense) subject to the Defendant's completion of drug court, with certain special conditions of probation.

This has been December 13, 2019, news for at-risk populations, and I have been your Outreach Ombudsman for At-Risk, Homeless, Traveling, and Displaced Persons Antarah A. Crawley, reporting from New Syllabus Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Over and Out.

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