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MADIGAN: CONVICTED SEX OFFENDER RULED SEXUALLY VIOLENT

Chicago — Attorney General Lisa Madigan today announced that a McHenry County judge ruled a Sexually Violent Person (SVP) must remain in custody for sex offender treatment.

McHenry County Circuit Court Judge Sharon Prather ruled that Robert Bacci, 47, of Woodstock, Ill., must remain in the custody of the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) for treatment at the IDHS SVP Treatment and Detention Facility in downstate Rushville, Ill.

“The offender’s history of sex offenses clearly shows the danger his release would pose to the community,” Madigan said. “I appreciate the judge’s decision to prevent him from reentering society.”

Bacci is currently serving a two-year prison sentence after being convicted in 2014 of attempted aggravated criminal sexual abuse of a child who was 5 years old at the time.

>Under the Sexually Violent Persons Commitment Act, Madigan’s office prosecutes cases seeking to commit offenders to the custody of IDHS. To be committed under the Act, a person must have been convicted of a sexually violent offense and suffer from a mental disorder. Prosecutors must also prove that the offender is likely to commit future acts of sexual violence if released from custody. Once committed to IDHS, offenders are re-evaluated on a regular basis to determine if they continue to meet the criteria for commitment as a sexually violent person.

Assistant Attorneys General Elizabeth Cox and Aimee Snow handled the case for Madigan’s Sexually Violent Persons Bureau.

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