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Cherokee County Man Sentenced to 25 Years to Serve for Aggravated Child Molestation
State vs. Christopher Shane Reed

November 22, 2019 – District Attorney Shannon Wallace announces that Christopher Shane Reed, 36, pled guilty and was sentenced on October 28, 2019 for sexually molesting a pre-teen boy in an Acworth home. Reed was arrested in October 2018 after the child disclosed to his mother and a school counselor.

On two separate occasions in 2018, Reed committed acts of child molestation after inviting the child to play video games in his house. After the first incident, Reed showed the child his pistol and told him not to tell anyone what had happened.

“This 36-year-old defendant used the allure of video games to draw an innocent boy into his home in order to perpetrate indecent acts upon him,” said Assistant District Attorney Randall Ivey, who prosecuted the case on behalf of the State. “And, because he knew what he was doing was wrong, he used the threat of a firearm to scare the child into staying quiet.”

Judge Tony Baker sentenced Reed to a total of 25 years in prison for 1 count of aggravated child molestation and 1 count of child molestation. Upon release, Reed will serve probation for the remainder of his life with sex offender special conditions including no contact of any kind with minors under the age of 18. He is also prohibited from contact with the victim or any member of his family.

“We are thankful this child confided in his family and his school counselor. Had he not had the courage to speak up, the defendant may have continued to subject him to these horrifying, perverted acts,” said Cherokee County District Attorney Shannon Wallace. “It’s sad to think that a person the family initially trusted ended up abusing their child in this way.”

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