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Chemung County District Attorney Weeden A. Wetmore announced today the conviction after trial of CASEY J. WILSON, DOB: 06/01/89, of two counts of Burglary in the First Degree, two counts of Rape in the First Degree, two counts of Sexual Assault in the First Degree, two counts of Aggravated Sexual Abuse in the Third Degree, and one count of Robbery in the First Degree.

On June 15, 2011, the female occupant of an apartment located on Spaulding Street, Elmira, awoke around 4:20 a.m. to find a lone male in her apartment, wielding a knife, and dressed in a hooded sweatshirt with a bandana covering his face. The intruder forced the victim onto the bed where he raped her. The victim recognized the intruder by his voice and height as Casey Wilson.

On September 29, 2013, the female occupant of an apartment at Washington Court, Elmira, was awakened shortly after 7:00 a.m. by a male grabbing her face from behind while wielding a knife. The intruder forced the victim upstairs to her bedroom where he raped her and committed other criminal sex crimes against her. He then returned the victim downstairs where he robbed her of money and then committed additional sex crimes as he tried to eliminate any evidence connecting him with the acts. This victim also recognized the defendant by his voice and height as Casey Wilson. Surveillance video from Heritage Park revealed a masked individual wearing gloves leaving the victim's apartment at approximately 7:45 a.m. At 8:00 a.m. Wilson was captured by a surveillance camera located at the Field House Bar at 470 Mt. Zoar wearing identical clothing.

The burglary, rape, criminal sex act and robbery counts are all Class B violent felony offenses while the aggravated sexual abuse in the third degree counts are Class D violent felony offenses. The defendant faces an aggregate maximum term for consecutive sentences of up to 40 years.

The defendant faces an additional charge of Burglary in the Second Degree allegedly committed on November 26, 2013, with a trial date to be determined.

Testimony at trial included the victims of both sexual assaults, investigating police officers of the Elmira Police Department, civilian witnesses familiar with the defendant, forensic scientists of the New York State Police Forensic Investigation Center, and DNA testimony from Dr. Mark Perlin of Cybergeneics in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. DA Wetmore states that the credibility of the victims was significant as was the video and DNA evidence connecting defendant to the crimes.

The trial commenced on Monday, September 8th with jury selection and concluded with verdicts on Friday, September 12, 2014 after less than an hour of deliberations. The Honorable James T. Hayden presided.

The People were represented at trial by District Attorney Weeden A. Wetmore, while Donald E. Kelly of Tully Rinckey, PLLC in Syracuse, NY represented the defendant. The case has been adjourned to November 3rd, 2013 for a pre-sentence investigation.