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CONVICTED CHILD MOLESTER SENTENCED TO 60 YEARS

On Thursday, September 26, 2013, an Ellis County jury consisting of 7 men and 5 women, convicted Archie Lee Becks, 52, of Waxahachie, of aggravated sexual assault of a child. The victim, age 13 at the time of this incident, told of how the Defendant continually molested her. The victim's sibling testified that she had seen the Defendant on multiple occasions go into the victim's room at night and touch her inappropriately. During the punishment phase of the trial, the victim further testified that after Defendant was released from jail on this incident, he continued to sexually assault her. In closing arguments, the prosecutor requested jurors to assess the maximum punishment to protect the children of this community from a predator. After deliberating, the jury assessed punishment at 60 years imprisonment. Defendant will not be eligible for parole until he has served 30 years of the sentence. "Practically speaking, this is a life sentence for Archie Becks and I thank the jury member for their service," stated Patrick Wilson, Ellis County and District Attorney.

