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District Attorney Sam Sutter announced that John Hornedo, 33, of 15 Cedar Street, Taunton, was convicted today after trial of rape of a child and assault and battery of a child with injury.

Mr. Hornedo was sentenced to serve 12 years to 12 years and a day in state prison, which means he must serve all 12 years of the sentence. Superior Court Judge Richard Moses also sentenced Mr. Hornedo to be placed on probation for an additional five years after his release from prison. The terms of the probation include: Mr. Hornedo must wear a GPS monitoring device, must have no contact with the victim or her family, must complete a batterers counseling program, must register as a sex offender and must have no contact with any children under the age of 18.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Maryclare Flynn, who is the Deputy Chief of District Attorney Sutter's Abuse Prevention and Prosecution Unit. Assistant District Attorney Flynn had recommended the defendant serve 18 to 25 years in state prison.

The trial lasted three days in Taunton Superior Court, and the jury deliberated for about five hours before announcing its verdicts today.

Mr. Hornedo was accused of raping and assaulting a young female relative in Taunton. He was arrested after an joint investigation led by District Attorney Sutter's Abuse Prevention and Protection Unit and Lt. Phillip Warish and other Taunton Police Detectives. He was arrested in January, 2008 and had been held on \$500,000 cash bail during the pretrial stages of the case.