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### **FORMER AURORA MAN FACES LIFE IN PRISON FOR CHILD SEX ASSAULTS**

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A former Aurora man faces a mandatory prison sentence of life in prison after he was convicted for repeatedly sexually assaulting two children he knew.

A Kane County jury on Wednesday, January 31, 2018, convicted 37-year-old **Timothy M. Arnold** of 8 counts of predatory criminal sexual assault of a child, Class X felony, and 5 counts of aggravated criminal sexual abuse, Class 2 felony.

The jurors deliberated for about 2½ hours before reaching the verdict.

Kane County Assistant State's Attorneys Lori Anderson and Debra Bree presented evidence during the three-day trial that between October 2011 and October 2017 Anderson sexually assaulted the victims, whom he knew. The victims were younger than 12 years old. The assaults took place in Aurora.

Circuit Judge James C. Hallock set Arnold's next court appearance for 9 a.m. March 1, 2018, in Courtroom 313 at the Kane County Judicial Center for post-trial motions and to set a sentencing date.

Arnold faces a mandatory sentence of natural life imprisonment because he has been convicted of sexually assaulting multiple children.

In addition to the prison term, Arnold must register for life as a sexual offender in accordance with the Illinois Sexual Offender Registration Act.

The case was investigated by the Kane County Child Advocacy Center with assistance from the Aurora Police Department.

"Child predators are stopped when victims speak up and responsible adults take action. I am impressed with the strength and courage both young girls showed in facing this defendant and saying that what he did to them was wrong," Kane County State's Attorney Joe McMahon said.

"Our trial team of Assistant State's Attorneys Lori Anderson and Debra Bree, along with the investigators and counselors at the CAC put tremendous effort into this case to make sure justice was served and that this offender can no longer abuse children.

Investigating and prosecuting these cases is incredibly complex, and I'm grateful to the members of our community who served on the jury and delivered justice.”

**Timothy M. Arnold:** Age 37 (d.o.b. 10-28-1983), of the 300 block of Gale Lane, Lawrenceburg, Tenn., and formerly of Aurora