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## JURY CONVICTS MAN OF ABUSING HIS SON

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Dan Patterson, Greene County Prosecuting Attorney announced that Peter D. Hansen , 47, of Springfield, MO was convicted late last night by a Greene County Jury of two class C felonies of abuse of a child. The jury deliberated approximately five hours. The crimes occurred in the fall of 2008 through 2009 when Hansen was abusing his 14 year old son by subjecting him to extreme periods of isolation, darkness, food deprivation, and cramped living conditions. Sentencing has been set for January 20, 2012, at 8:30 am. Hansen faces up to seven years in the Missouri Department of Corrections for each offense. The trial was presided over by the Honorable Dan Conklin.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Stephanie Wan. It was investigated by the Springfield Police Dept. and Detective Steve Schwind was the lead investigator assigned to the case.

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