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Cape May Court House, New Jersey - Cape May County Prosecutor Jeffrey H. Sutherland and Chief Anthony Garreffi Jr. of the Sea Isle City Police Department announce the arrest of 64-year old William Smith Jr. of Pine Hill, New Jersey.

In February 2023, an investigation was initiated by the Sea Isle City Police Department and the Cape May County Prosecutor's Office Special Victims Unit when two juvenile males reported being sexually assaulted by William Smith Jr. in a residence located in Sea Isle City, New Jersey. As a result of this investigation, on March 29, 2023, William Smith Jr. was charged with two counts of Sexual Assault, a crime of the second degree and three counts of Endangering the Welfare of a Child, a crime of the second degree. William Smith Jr. was processed on the above listed charges and is currently being lodged at the Cape May County Correctional Center.

Prosecutor Sutherland advises persons convicted of a second degree crime are subject to a term of imprisonment of 5 to 10 years in New Jersey State Prison.

Prosecutor Sutherland advises this is an on-going investigation and urges anyone who may have additional information relating to this investigation to contact the Cape May County Prosecutor's Office Special Victims Unit at **609-465-1135**, or anonymously through the Prosecutor's Office website at **cmcpo.tips** as well as through the Cape May County Sheriffs Tip Line at **cmcsherrif.net** and click on **anonymous tip**, or through the Cape May County Crime Stoppers at **609-889-3597**.

*Any charges are merely accusations, and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless he is proven guilty.