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Former Bureau of Prisons Corrections Officer Sentenced for Sexually Assaulting Two Women on Multiple Occasions and Lying to Investigators

Adrian L. Stargell, 39, a former Bureau of Prisons (BOP) Corrections Officer who worked as an Education Specialist at the FCI-Aliceville facility in Aliceville, Alabama, was sentenced today in federal court in Tuscaloosa, Alabama to 42 months in prison and three years supervised release.

Stargell previously pleaded guilty to two counts of violating the rights of two women whom he sexually assaulted on multiple occasions and one count of making false statements to federal agents from the U.S. Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General (OIG).

“The Department of Justice will not tolerate corrections officers who sexually assault individuals whom they are otherwise supposed to protect and keep safe,” said Assistant Attorney General Eric Dreiband. “The Civil Rights Division will continue to vigorously prosecute these cases and secure justice for victims of these egregious crimes.”

“Today justice was served for the victims of these egregious crimes,” said Interim U.S. Attorney Prim Escalona of the Northern District of Alabama. “We will continue to aggressively prosecute those who abuse authority and prey on vulnerable people in their care.”

“Stargell abused his power, sexually assaulted two inmates, and lied to try to cover up his actions. Today, justice is served. He will rightly serve time for his egregious actions,” said James F. Boyersmith, Special Agent in Charge of the OIG Miami Field Office.

According to court documents, during 2017 and 2018, while on-duty as an Education Specialist, Stargell sexually assaulted two women who were incarcerated at FCI-Aliceville. Stargell admitted that he knew what he was doing was wrong and against the law, yet he did it anyway. When OIG agents interviewed Stargell about the allegations of sexual misconduct, Stargell lied by falsely denying having any sexual contact with the victims.

This case was investigated by the Department of Justice OIG Miami Field Office. Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert Posey of the Northern District of Alabama and Special Litigation Counsel Fara Gold and Trial Attorney Anna Gotfryd of the Criminal Section of the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice prosecuted the case.