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Mississippi Man pleads guilty to Abusive Sexual Contact

Jackson, Miss –William Hickman, 55, of Philadelphia, MS, pled guilty today before U.S. District Judge David Bramlette to one count of abusive sexual contact of a nine year old child, U.S. Attorney John M. Dowdy, Jr., announced. The offense occurred within the boundaries of the Tribal Lands of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians. Hickman will be sentenced on April 5, 2011, and faces a maximum penalty of life in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

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