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**WICHITA, KAN.** – A man has been sentenced for trafficking an underage girl in Wichita. District Judge David Kaufman sentenced James Sexton, 27 of Wichita, to 144 months in prison last Friday. On February 4<sup>th</sup>, Sexton was convicted of commercial sexual exploitation of a child.

On August 23, 2018, members of the Exploited and Missing Child Unit in Wichita were on special assignment targeting online escort ads in an attempt to recover juvenile victims of sex trafficking. An undercover officer called a phone number on one of the ads and set up a meeting at a hotel in northwest Wichita. Police saw two females, one 22 years old and the other 15, walk into the hotel. The teenager was a runaway from another county.

After an exchange of money, detectives arrested the man who drove them to the location, James Sexton.

The older female, Kelly Holt of Wichita, was convicted of aggravated endangerment of a child and unlawful use of a communication facility. She is awaiting sentencing.

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