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Public Outraged At No Jail For Teen Rapist

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MANHATTAN—Manhattan Supreme Court Judge Cassandra Mullen is in the hot seat for her sentence of a city worker who sexually attacked three teenage girls who were in his care.

Tony Simmons, 47, a 16-year employee of the NYC Juvenile Justice Department who worked with troubled teens, had admitted raping a 15-year-old in the elevator at Family Court, forcing a 16-year-old to give him oral sex and molesting a second 15-year-old in the courthouse. The victims were all in court custody.

But with the consent of the Manhattan District Attorney's office, the judge sentenced Simmons to probation, allowing him to avoid any jail time despite his egregious crimes.

Manhattan district attorney Cy Vance Jr. held a news conference, calling the sentence "outrageously lenient", claiming that prosecutors want Simmons to serve at least a year in jail but that court records dispute Vance's assertion, showing that the assistant district attorney from Vance's office consented to the plea deal. 10-4-10

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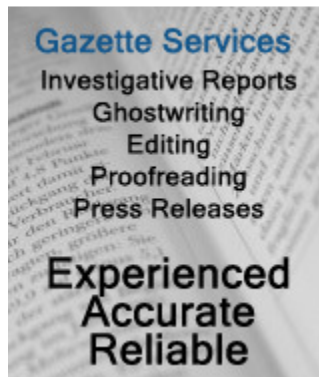
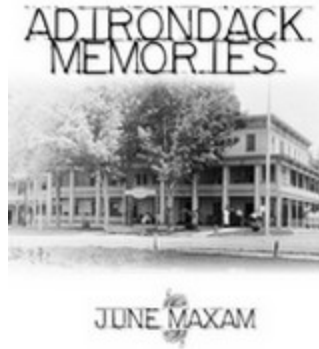
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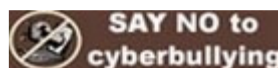
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