

SEX AND THE LAW

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In Michigan, the age of consent is 16. Any one under the age of 16 is not legally able to consent. Even if the person under the age of 16 agrees to participate in the act, it is NOT recognized as legal consent.

CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT

“Rape” and “Statutory Rape” are called Criminal Sexual Conduct.

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Michigan law identifies 4 degrees of Criminal Sexual Conduct (CSC).

CSC – 1st Degree.

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Sexual Contact: The intentional touching of the victim's or perpetrator's intimate parts or the clothing covering the victim's or perpetrator's intimate parts - if that intentional touching is for the purpose of sexual arousal or gratification.

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Sexual Penetration: Sexual intercourse or any other intrusion, however slight, of any part of a person's body or of any object into the genital or anal openings of another person's body, but emission of semen is not required.

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3. The perpetrator knows the victim is mentally incapable, mentally incapacitated, or physically helpless.

LEGAL CONSEQUENCES

Jail/Prison

HIV/AIDS/STD Testing

Sex Offender Registration for 25 years

Tarnished Reputation

Damaged Professional Future

Child Support

Probation

PROBATION

Potentially no internet/computer use.

No contact with children under 17.

Complete sex offender treatment program.

Must not be w/in 1000 feet of school, parks or playgrounds.

Submit to random searches w/out warrant if probable cause exists.

In house curfew 10PM-6AM.

Substantial Fines & Costs.

If probation is violated – must go to prison.

SOCIAL CONSEQUENCES

PREGNANCY

STD'S

MEDIA COVERAGE

EMBARRASMENT

REPUTATION

CHILD SUPPORT

MISTAKE OF AGE IS NOT A DEFENSE

There is no “reasonable mistake of age” defense in the State of Michigan.

BOTH PARTIES UNDER THE AGE OF 16

FACTORS CONSIDERED WHEN A TEEN IS CHARGED:

- Ages of the victim and defendant
- Age difference between the victim and the defendant
- Dating relationship, if any
- Force / coercion / exploitation
- Use of alcohol or other drugs
- Developmental or learning disabilities of the victim
- Prior criminal record of defendant

ONLINE RESOURCES

Michigan sex offender registry: www.mipsor.mi.us

For a map of registered offenders: www.familywatchdog.us

THANK YOU

ANY QUESTIONS...