

## RHODE ISLAND: Sex offender pastor jailed on probation violation

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### Child said she was molested during hide and seek



PAWTUCKET, R.I. (WPRI) -- A local pastor accused of molesting a 10-year-old girl will head back to prison on a probation violation related to a previous molestation conviction.

Following a one-day probation violation hearing Wednesday, Superior Court Magistrate John F. McBurney III sentenced Julio Alicea, 70, of Central Falls, to 18 years in prison after ruling Alicea violated the terms of his probation.

According to the attorney general's office, Alicea was arrested in May on second-degree molestation charges after a 10-year-old girl accused him of molesting her while they were playing hide and seek.

At the time of his arrest, Alicea - who according to the attorney general's office, reported his occupation as pastor at the Iglesia Pentacostal Jesucristo Roca Eterna Church in Pawtucket - was already serving probation in connection with a 1992 conviction on multiple counts of first-degree child molestation.

"As a pastor, Alicea portrayed himself as a man of faith and honor, yet he was far from that. He used his position of trust in the community to engage in his continued pattern of criminal behavior, molesting young victims," said Attorney General Kilmartin. "I commend this young victim for her strength in coming forward to stop this man from hurting another child."

The current molestation case against Alicea is still pending.

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