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Cheektowaga man pleads guilty to two separate crimes against same victim

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A Cheektowaga man pleaded guilty to assault and attempted sexual abuse charges involving two incidents with the same victim, the Erie County District Attorney's Office announced Monday.

Ikeal Lardill, 23, pleaded guilty Friday before State Supreme Court Justice Paul Wojtaszek to one count of first-degree assault and one count of first-degree attempted aggravated sexual abuse.

Lardill admitted that in December 2018 he cut a female victim with a knife; he also admitted that in January 2019 he attempted to cause physical injury to the same female victim by subjecting her to sexual contact. Lardill pleaded guilty to the highest possible charge.

Lardill faces a maximum of 25 years in prison when he is sentenced at 9:30 a.m. on Sept. 9, 2019. He was remanded without bail.

Erie County District Attorney John J. Flynn commended Detectives Michael Hockwater and Donald Strozyk and Lt. Kenneth Rusin of the Cheektowaga Police Department for their work in the investigation. The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Katharine S. Lavin of the DA's Special Victims Bureau.

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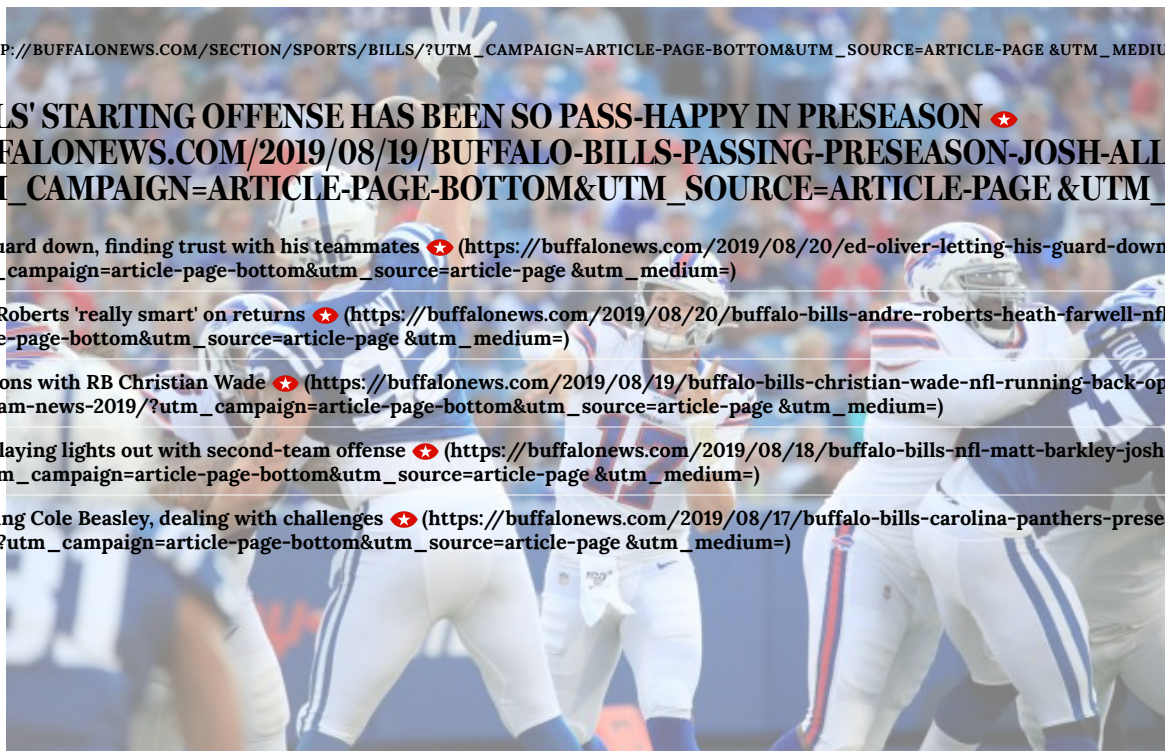
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