

N.Y., Lyons - 12/16/2011
9-Month Old Girl Sexually Assaulted
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A shocking story out of Wayne County, New York **where a district attorney says it involves the youngest sex abuse victim he's ever seen. Authorities say a Lyons man sexually assaulted and nearly killed a nine month old girl.** Lyons is located about midway between Rochester and Syracuse.

24-year old Richard Dallas was arrested Friday. He faces seven charges which include sexual assault against a child and aggravated sex abuse. The alleged abuse happened on November 30th when paramedics were called to a home where they found the nine month old girl having trouble breathing.

Later doctors found the baby had severe internal injuries requiring emergency surgery. The Wayne County District Attorney says she would have died without treatment. D.A. Richard Healy said, "I've been a prosecutor for 30 years when I think I've seen everything, but a case like this comes along... there really aren't any words to describe how bad this is".

Healy says Dallas has no past criminal history and is not a registered sex offender. He pled not guilty Friday to all the charges and is being held in jail without bail until his next court appearance.