

## Victim testifies in molestation case Carl Horak's attorney claims his client did nothing inappropriate

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Carl Horak's child molestation trial kicked off Wednesday with a harrowing look into his and his wife's bedroom activities.

Clutching a stuffed pig and holding back tears, the alleged victim in the case took the witness stand and painted a disturbing picture of Carl and Tiffany Horak subjecting her to sex toys and pornographic tapes.

Carl, 26, of rural Wauconda, is charged with more than a dozen counts of predatory criminal sexual assault of a child. He faces up to 120 years in prison if convicted. His wife, Tiffany, also 26, pleaded guilty to three counts of sexual assault in July and is currently serving a 14-year prison sentence. She will testify against Carl later this week.

In front of a so-quiet-you-can-hear-a-pin-drop courtroom, the young girl, who is a relative of the two, described how she was molested by the Horaks on numerous occasions. In most every incident the girl said she was asked to disrobe and then sit between Carl and Tiffany, who were already nude, as they watched a pornographic video on the television.

While holding back tears on the witness stand, the girl said Carl touched her private area while Tiffany stood by. On one occasion she said she was forced to perform oral sex on Carl, after Tiffany demonstrated how to do it. On several occasions the Horaks used various sex toys on the girl, she testified.

Horak's attorney, Robert Ritacca has argued that his client was not involved in inappropriate activity, and that the young victim was told what to say by other relatives.