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## Lynn sentenced to up to six years in prison

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William J. Lynn, the former secretary of clergy for the Philadelphia archdiocese, was sentenced to three to six years in prison this morning, according to The Associated Press.

Lynn was convicted June 22 on one count of child endangerment for allowing former priest Edward Avery to remain in ministry despite knowledge of past abuse.

Lynn's defense lawyers had sought a minimal sentence of probation without jail time while the Philadelphia district attorney's office pushed for a maximum sentence of seven years in prison.

Lynn and his lawyers are expected to appeal the decision.

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