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Enschede - A 32-year-old capoeira teacher from Enschede was sentenced by the court in Overijssel to a suspended prison sentence of 1 month and community service of 150 hours. The man assaulted one of his underage students during training sessions in 2018. For example, he groped the breasts of the then 17-year-old victim.

Training

The victim came from Ukraine to the Netherlands in 2018 to study here. In her home country, she practiced capoeira, a Brazilian dance and martial arts, at a high level. In the Netherlands, she wanted to continue practicing the sport and started training with the Enschede teacher. During an exercise he touched and squeezed her breasts and went to her groin. She resisted after which the man let go of her. During a later training, in a training room at the man's home, he assaulted her again. She then decided to look for another trainer.

Recorded phone calls

To her new trainer, the victim told what had happened. The new trainer knew the teacher, called him and recorded the phone conversation. During that conversation, the Enschede teacher admitted that he was wrong and that he is sorry. Among other things, the man said 'it just happened, but I don't have a sexual relationship with her' and 'it was a mistake, man. I already apologized'.

But during the interrogation with the police and the hearing in court, the man denied the assaults. The court does not believe him. The victim's report is authentic and detailed and the story is confirmed by the new trainer's statement and the recorded phone conversation. That the telephone conversation should be interpreted differently is not credible.

Abused position of power

The man grossly abused the position of power he had towards his student. As a result of the sexual assaults, she developed psychiatric complaints. Also, the man took no responsibility and tried to make the new teacher look bad.

In determining the punishment, the court takes these facts into account, as well as the fact that the man is not expected to find employment as a teacher anywhere else. As an extra measure, in addition to the community service the court imposed a suspended prison sentence of one month with a probation period of three years. If he violates the law again, he must serve this sentence.