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## CASE OF INTEREST

### **Sexually Violent Predator Who Assaulted Two Boys to Remain in Hospital Custody**

**DATE:** June 7, 2018

**CASE:** Clay Jones (Case #80213 & 81875)

**PROSECUTOR:** Deputy District Attorney Denise Halstead, Mental Health Litigation Unit

A jury found true a petition of civil commitment against Clay Jones as a Sexually Violent Predator (SVP).

In 1988, Jones was convicted of 12 counts of child sexual assault against two boys ages 4 and 10. The assaults included sodomy and lewd and lascivious acts with a child under 14 years old, and forcible lewd act with a child under age 14. Jones was sentenced to 33 years state prison for these offenses. Upon his review for parole, he was referred to the Department of State Hospitals for consideration as a Sexually Violent Predator. Two psychologists gave an opinion that Jones had a mental diagnosis and because of this mental disorder he is likely to commit a sexually violent predatory offense if released from the hospital.