

Child Sexually Violent Predator to Remain in Hospital Custody



Sacramento County
District Attorney's Office
Semper Justitia

DATE: February 1, 2019

CASE: Michael Gillette (Case #96F07315)

PROSECUTOR: Deputy District Attorney Stefanie Mahaffey, Mental Health Litigation Unit

The Honorable James Arguelles found true a petition of civil commitment against Michael Gillette as a Sexually Violent Predator (SVP), and ordered Gillette committed to Coalinga State Hospital for an indeterminate term.

On April 21, 1997, Gillette was convicted of lewd acts with a child under 14 years of age. He was sentenced to three years state prison. On January 18, 2013, Gillette was again convicted of lewd acts with a child under 14 years of age. Before he was released on parole for that offense, the People filed a petition to commit Gillette as an SVP. The petition alleged that Gillette had qualifying prior convictions and a mental disorder that caused him to be a substantial danger to the safety of others and likely to engage in violent predatory sexual acts in the future.