

# **Defendant Convicted of Violently Attacking Two Elderly Women**



Sacramento County  
District Attorney's Office  
*Semper Justitia*

**DATE:** September 17, 2020

**CASE:** Edward Thomas (Case #19FE021541)

**PROSECUTOR:** Deputy District Attorney Frederick Gotha, Elder Abuse Unit

Edward Thomas was convicted by a jury of two counts of elder abuse with great bodily injury enhancements and two counts of battery causing serious bodily injury.

On November 30, 2019, Edward Thomas attacked his elderly 72-year-old sister and 94-year-old mother. The attack occurred when his sister asked him to keep marijuana smoke from wafting through the house. Both victims were taken to the UCD Medical Center and treated for significant injuries. One victim suffered a broken nose, fractured orbital bone, scalp hematoma, wounds to her head requiring 20 staples, fractured ribs, fractured fingers on both hands, and multiple human bite marks to her face, arms, hands, and chest. The second victim suffered bleeding between her skull and her scalp, human bite marks to her face and arm, lacerations to her face requiring extensive suturing, and a fractured rib.

Thomas faces a maximum sentence of 13 years and 8 months in prison. Sentencing is set for October 16, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 17 before the Honorable James Arguelles.