<u>Child Sex Offender Convicted of</u> <u>Sexually Assaulting Two Sisters</u>



Sacramento County District Attorney's Office

— Semper Justitia ———

DATE: November 6, 2020

CASE: Anthony Dougherty (Case #18FE000503)

PROSECUTOR: Deputy District Attorney TeriAnn Grimes, Adult Sexual

Assault Prosecution Unit

Anthony Dougherty was convicted by a jury of two counts of forcible rape and one count of lewd act upon a child with a multiple victim enhancement. The Court found that Dougherty has two prior 2001 strike convictions for lewd and lascivious act upon a child.

The two victims are sisters who were raised by their grandmother. When one of the sisters was 14 years old, she took a job working for Dougherty, who was a family member. When the two were working alone, Dougherty forcibly raped her. Dougherty forcibly raped her again when she was 15 years old. When the victim disclosed the sexual assaults to her sister, her sister confided that Dougherty also tried to "get at her" and put his hand up her shirt. She was able to fight Dougherty off and had not previously told anyone what happened. But, both girls reported the incidents when learning about the other. Dougherty previously molested a different child on multiple occasions in 2001.

Dougherty faces a maximum sentence of 240 years to life in prison. Sentencing is set for December 11, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. in Department 10 before the Honorable Ernest Sawtelle.

