

Defendant Sentenced to 10 Yrs. Prison for Trafficking a Minor



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CASE: Jorden Leon Cooks (Case #21FE000570)

PROSECUTOR: Deputy District Attorney Courtney Martin, Human Trafficking Unit

The Honorable Michael Savage sentenced Jorden Leon Cooks to 10 years in prison after Cooks pled to human trafficking of a minor and admitted to a prior 2014 robbery strike conviction. Cooks was also sentenced to an additional 16 months after pleading to being a felon in possession of a firearm (Case #20FE019135).

On January 8, 2021, Sacramento police officers were doing an investigation at the Quality Inn on Jibboom Street when they overheard Cooks shouting at someone inside one of the rooms. When officers contacted Cooks, they found him with the 16-year-old victim they identified as a missing person from Oregon. Based on a review of text messages and other digital evidence on Cooks' and the victim's cell phones, officers realized that Cooks was trafficking the victim. Officers arrested Cooks and ensured the victim was returned safely to her family in Oregon.

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