

# Defendant Sentenced for Violent Assault



Sacramento County  
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*Semper Justitia*

**DATE: June 8, 2022**

**CASE: Clifford Roberson (Case #19FE016457)**

**PROSECUTOR: Deputy District Attorney Bruce Chang, Adult Sexual Assault Prosecution Unit**

The Honorable Ernest Sawtelle sentenced Clifford Roberson to six years in prison. On April 5, 2022, a jury convicted Roberson of assault with intent to commit rape, sodomy, oral copulation and assault by means of force likely to produce great bodily injury.

Roberson approached the victim and asked her for a cigarette. He then grabbed the victim by her hair, dragged her to a park bench and choked her so hard that he left red marks on her neck and got her DNA under his fingernails. Roberson demanded that the victim orally copulate him. The victim was able to try to call 911. Sacramento police responded to the victim's 911 hang up call. The victim disclosed the assault to police.