<u>Defendant Sentenced for Kidnapping,</u> <u>Carjacking, Sexual Assault</u>



Sacramento County District Attorney's Office

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DATE: June 29, 2018

CASE: Eddie Ray Jones Jr. (Case #16FE019308)

PROSECUTOR: Deputy District Attorney Kevin Jones, Adult Sexual

Assault Prosecution Unit

The Honorable Patrick Marlette sentenced Eddie Ray Jones Jr. to 65 years to life in prison. On January 11, 2018, a jury convicted Jones of two counts of kidnapping during a carjacking, two counts of robbery and one count of oral copulation by force or fear with kidnapping and use of a dangerous or deadly weapon or firearm allegations. The jury also found true a use of a firearm allegation on all counts.

On September 10, 2016, Jones was inside a restaurant on Mack Road when the female victim entered the restaurant with her 2-year-old granddaughter. After purchasing food to go, the victim returned to her vehicle and began placing her granddaughter in her car seat. Jones approached the victim from behind, told her he had a gun and pointed it at her through his coat pocket. He proceeded to order the victim into the vehicle and to drive. Over the next hour, the victim was forced to drive around while Jones smoked drugs. He then pulled out the gun, switched seats with the victim and drove to a secluded area where he forced the victim to orally copulate him. He then stole money from the victim's purse, dropped her and her granddaughter off on the side of the road and drove off in her vehicle. Jones was arrested later that

month after leading police on a high-speed vehicle chase and attempting to escape on foot.

The victim was able to describe Jones' distinctive tattoos and picked him out of a photo lineup. DNA evidence found on the victim's shirt was also analyzed by the District Attorney's Crime Lab and was a match to Jones.

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