

Defendant Sentenced to 16+ Years Prison for Pimping, Human Trafficking



Sacramento County District Attorney's Office

Semper Justitia

DATE: November 2, 2021

CASE: David Craft (Case #20FE005894)

PROSECUTOR: Deputy District Attorney Courtney Martin, Human Trafficking Unit

The Honorable Michael Bowman sentenced David Craft to 16 years and 8 months in prison. Craft will also be required to register as a sex offender for life. On October 25, 2021, Craft pled to two counts of pimping and one count of human trafficking using force or threats.

The 20-year-old victim had recently become homeless. Craft suggested she could make money giving massages to "clients" he would arrange for her. Craft soon began pressuring the victim to engage in prostitution with the "clients." Craft's attempts at persuasion turned to threats and the victim began to comply out of fear. In February 2020, the victim was able to make contact with a Sacramento police officer. An investigation was started that lasted 10 months, which uncovered additional victims and a scheme by Craft that had gone on for years. He would meet women in financial difficulty and groom them with promises of easy money. Using a variety of means of manipulation and control, Craft arranged and profited from the prostitution of the victims.