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Re: People v. Todd Cole Sampson, Jr.

Yesterday in Department 23 of the Solano County Superior Court before the Honorable John B. Ellis, the jury found Defendant Todd Sampson Guilty of three counts of Sodomy With a Child Under Ten Years of Age in violation of Penal Code § 288.7(a) and two counts of Oral Copulation With a Child Under Ten Years of Age in violation of Penal Code § 288.7(b).

The defendant began sexually assaulting the victim when the child was five years old. For the next two years, the defendant continued to engage in unthinkable sex acts with the child and made physical threats if the child were to disclose the abuse. The victim lived in secrecy and fear of these crimes until finally breaking down to a trusted family member in 2018. The victim, who is still a minor, courageously testified to the horrific abuse at trial.

The defendant is scheduled to be sentenced on August 23, 2023, at 8:30 a.m. in Department 23. At this hearing, the defendant will be sentenced to a term of up to 105 years to life in state prison.

The case was investigated by Vacaville Police Detective Kelli Gottlieb and prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Elaine Kuo.

If you or someone you know has been a victim of sexual assault and need the assistance of an advocate, please call 707-784-6827 or Family Justice Center at 707-784-7635. If you have an emergency, please call 911.