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PORTERVILLE MAN FOUND GUILTY OF CHILD MOLESTATION

Today in Department 5 of the Tulare County Superior Court, Visalia Division, Judge Joseph Kalashian presiding, a Tulare County jury found Eloy Joven, age 33, of Porterville, guilty of two counts of sodomy of a minor under the age of ten, four counts of oral copulation of minor under the age of ten, and four counts of lewd act upon a child under the age of fourteen. The jury also found true the special allegation of substantial sexual conduct. Each count is a felony and considered a strike offense.

The crimes occurred between July 23, 2008, and March 21, 2015, against one male victim, who was between two and eight-years-old at the time of the sexual assaults. All crimes occurred within the City of Porterville.

Sentencing is set for October 4, 2018, in Superior Court where Joven faces 124 years-to-life in state prison. Joven will also be required to register as a sex offender for the remainder of his life.

The case was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Chelsea Wayt of the Crimes against Children Division and investigated by Corporal Jose Dominguez of the Porterville Police Department.

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