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TULARE MAN SENTENCED TO LIFE IN PRISON FOR CHILD MOLESTATION

On November 6, 2019, in Department 6 of the Tulare County Superior Court, Visalia Division, Judge Gary Paden sentenced Francisco Cuevas, age 25, to life in prison for child molestation.

On August 19, 2019, Cuevas pleaded guilty to three counts of lewd act upon a child under the age of 14 with the special allegation that the defendant committed the crime against multiple victims. Cuevas also pleaded guilty to one count of sexual penetration of a child age 10 or younger. All four counts are felonies.

The crimes occurred in Tulare between December 2011 and January 2017 against four female minor victims. In addition to his sentence, Cuevas must register as a sex offender for the remainder of his life.

Under current California law, Cuevas will not be eligible for parole for 45 years.

The case was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorneys Laura Jackson and Chelsea Wayt of the Crimes against Children Division and investigated by Detective Christopher Marvin of the Tulare Police Department.

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