



COUNTY OF FRESNO

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CORNELIO JIMENEZ CONVICTED OF ALL 36 COUNTS OF CHILD MOLESTATION AND CHILD PORNOGRAPHY – IS FACING 1,882 YEARS-TO-LIFE IN PRISON

Cornelio Jimenez (42, of Fresno), was found guilty today of numerous child molestation and child pornography charges, the Fresno County District Attorney's Office has announced.

Mr. Jimenez, a registered sex offender, was charged with having sexually assaulted two (2) female victims, ages four (4) and seven (7), who were children of the family that he was living with. The molestations occurred over a one-year period from June 2014 to June 2015, and Mr. Jimenez recorded some of the molestations, leading to the child pornography charges.

Today, March 7, 2018, a Fresno County jury found Mr. Jimenez guilty of:

1. Thirty-four (34) felony counts of Lewd Acts on a Minor [P.C. § 288(a)];
2. One (1) felony count of Possession of More Than 600 Images of Child Pornography [P.C. § 311.11(c)(1)]; and
3. One (1) felony count of Producing Child Pornography [P.C. § 311.4(c)]

Mr. Jimenez was also charged with having a prior "Strike" conviction for Attempted Child Molestation from the State of Washington in 1997.

Additionally, Mr. Jimenez pleaded guilty to a related felony charge of Failure to Register as a Sexual Offender [P.C. § 290] prior to the trial on these offenses.

As a result of the convictions, Mr. Jimenez faces a sentence of up to 1,882 years to life in prison, when he is sentenced on May 8, 2018, at 8:30 a.m. in Department 62 of the Fresno County Superior Court. However, upon reaching age 60 and after serving 25 years, Mr. Jimenez will be eligible for release under the Elderly Parole Program.

Microsoft and Dropbox submitted two cyber tips to the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Taskforce, after they discovered potential child porn on the internet uploaded by the defendant. ICAC consists of detectives from the Fresno Police Department, the Fresno County Sheriff's Office, and Homeland Security Investigations.

The case was prosecuted by Sr.DDA Deborah Miller, with the assistance of DA Investigator Danielle Isaac, FPD Detective David Wilkin, and FSO Sergeant David Rippe.

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