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THIRD STRIKE OFFENDER CONVICTED OF SEXUAL ASSAULT AGAINST THREE VICTIMS

(Woodland, CA) – July 20, 2023 – On July 14, 2023, a Yolo County jury found 48-year-old Eureka, CA, resident, John Augborne, guilty of sexually assaulting multiple minor female victims. Augborne was found guilty of Attempted Rape, Forcible Oral Copulation, and seven counts of felony Sexually Battery for Jane Doe # 1. As to Jane Doe #2, Augborne was found guilty of two counts of Sexual Acts with a Child 10 Years or Younger by Oral Copulation. For Jane Doe #3, Augborne was found guilty of a single Count of Sexual Acts With a Child 10 Years or Younger by Digital Penetration, and one count of Sexual Acts With a Child 10 Years or Younger by Oral Copulation.

Over the course of a 15-day trial, deputy district attorneys David Robbins and Stephanie Allen presented evidence to the jury that Augborne targeted three minors between 2011 and 2021. The jury heard witnesses testify that Augborne committed one crime at a hospital and others while family members of the victims were inside the home. Augborne has a lengthy criminal history including two prior "strike" convictions. Prior to being sentenced to prison on unrelated crimes, Augborne had sexually assaulted two of the victims in this case. After being released on parole in January 2020, he assaulted the third victim in February, 2020.

District Attorney Jeff Reisig stated, "The three victims in this case showed tremendous courage. It is never easy to come forward with allegations of sexual assault and even more so as a child. Often times victims are scared that nobody will believe them. The jury thoughtfully listened to the testimony and reviewed the evidence. At the end of the trial, their guilty verdicts spoke loudly to the victims 'We believe you."

Augborne is scheduled to be sentenced on September 8, 2023, by the Honorable Samuel McAdam in Department 10 of the Yolo County Superior Courthouse. Augborne faces a life term in state prison.