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## INFORMATION BULLETIN

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### **FLORIBERTO MONTERUBIO SANTIAGO SENTENCED TO LIFE IN STATE PRISON**

On July 5, 2018, Floriberto Monterubio Santiago broke into 19 year old Jane Doe's\* house in Madera through a kitchen window around 5 a.m. while she slept. Her parents, younger sister, brother, sister in law, and niece were also asleep inside the house. Jane Doe awoke when the defendant entered her bedroom. As Jane Doe tried to walk past the defendant to escape her bedroom, he grabbed her by the arm. She pushed him away and called for help while the defendant escaped through her bedroom window.

On July 11, 2018, around 5 a.m., Jane Doe's 13 year old sister woke up to the defendant removing the screen to her bedroom window, trying to break into the house again. She called for her parents, who observed the defendant in their backyard. Jane Doe's parents confronted the defendant outside, where he claimed he was with a Mexican cartel gang and promised to return. The Madera Police Department later apprehended the defendant in his home across the street from the victims' house, where he was hiding under a bed.

A jury trial in this matter began on January 14, 2020. On January 28, 2020, the jury found the defendant guilty of one count of Assault with Intent to Commit Rape During the Commission of a Residential Burglary, two counts of Residential Burglary, and one count of Criminal Threats.

On February 25, 2020, Judge LiCalsi sentenced Mr. Santiago to life in state prison with the possibility of parole. He will be eligible to apply for parole after serving 14 years and 4 months in state prison.

The Madera County District Attorney's Office would like to thank each of the jurors, including the alternate jurors, for their efforts in this case. The District Attorney's Office would also like to thank the Madera Police Department for their investigation in this matter, especially Officer Robert Hill who was present in court for most of the trial. The District Attorney's Office would also like to thank all of the witnesses who testified, including Jane Doe, her younger sister, and their parents. They all testified in open court and were very brave in facing the defendant after he committed these terrifying crimes against them. Finally, the District Attorney's Office would like to thank Walter Perez of Victim Services, who worked with the victims in this matter.

\*Actual names of victims are withheld for privacy reasons