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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that David Montano, age 45, of Coto De Caza, California, was convicted on December 5, 2011 of two felony counts of lewd acts upon a child. Deputy District Attorney Elaine G. Casillas prosecuted the case for the People.

Upon learning that her two younger sisters had been molested by Montano, a 24-year-old female went to the Turlock Police Department in 2008 to report her sisters' molests, as well as her own which began back in 1988. She reported several incidents of sexual abuse by Montano beginning when she was 4 years old until approximately 13 years old. In March 2011, law enforcement found Montano living in Southern California.

Although not present at the plea, the elder victim provided a written statement for Deputy District Attorney Elaine G. Casillas to read in court at sentencing. Parts of the statement read, "I was very young but I knew the things he would do to me were not right...You took away my innocence...My sisters mean so much to me, it broke my heart to know you had also tried doing inappropriate things to them."

Upon entry of the no contest plea, the Honorable Ricardo Cordova sentenced Montano to 8 years in state prison. He will be required to register as a sex offender for the rest of his life and both counts fall under California's "Three Strikes" Law, which will make Montano subject to a life sentence for any future felony conviction.

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