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Re: Bobby Dale Allen Phone: (209) 525-6909

Criminal Threats conviction and prison sentence

Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Jeff Laugero announced today that Bobby Dale Allen, age 54, of Modesto was convicted on February 24, 2023, of felony criminal threats and sentenced to state prison under California's "Three Strikes" law. Deputy District Attorney Angela Russell prosecuted the case on behalf of the People.

On June 12, 2019, after having an argument with his girlfriend at the time, Allen proceeded to call and message her more than 30 times over several hours, telling her that he "wanted to stick a piece of metal in her" and that they "would be together forever or he was going to kill" the victim, her mother and himself. Allen also posted a Facebook video claiming to have killed the victim's cat, "Princess", by slitting the animal's throat. The victim never saw her pet after that. Allen then contacted a second victim by going to her house, "acting crazy" and making threats to harm her and her infant daughter. Both victims believed that Allen intended to follow through on his threats and reported him to police.

On February 24, 2023, Allen pled no contest before Judge Linda McFadden to violating two counts of Penal Code Section 422(a), criminal threats, a felony. Allen admitted having previously been convicted in 1993 of violating Penal Code Section 220 - assault with intent to commit rape, a "strike" under California's "Three Strikes" law that was used to double his sentence. Allen further admitted having been convicted of two serious felonies, the assault with the intent to commit rape from 1993 as well as a separate conviction for rape, that same year. Upon entry of his no contest plea, Judge McFadden sentenced Allen to serve 17 years and four months in state prison.

Although sentenced recently, the Board of Parole hearings has already notified the District Attorney's Office that despite his prior history of sexually violent crimes, Allen is already eligible for early consideration of parole as a "nonviolent" offender which is mandated by the passage of Proposition 57, The Public Safety and Rehabilitation Act of 2016, which was approved by voters in November of that year. The Board will conduct an administrative review to determine whether Allen would pose a current, unreasonable risk of violence or significant criminal activity if he were released early from prison.

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