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Date: June 9, 2023 Re: Daniel John Marchy

Attempted Burglary Three Strikes Sentencing

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Jeff Laugero announced today that Daniel John Marchy, age 61, formerly of Modesto was sentenced on June 5, 2023, to a life sentence in state prison under California's "Three Strikes" law. Deputy District Attorney Aurora Maddocks prosecuted the case for the People.

On September 18, 2020, as the 52-year-old victim was leaving for work, she noticed some of her small solar panels and other items had been moved on her porch. Home surveillance video showed that Marchy had been on her porch at 2:00 a.m. wearing a "Puma" shirt and no pants, fully exposing his genitals. Home surveillance video showed Marchy was on video touching his penis several times while wearing latex gloves and attempting to open the door and window into the residence. The victim reported the crime to law enforcement and identified Marchy as a prior coworker. He was located and arrested that same day, still wearing the "Puma" shirt. When interviewed, he told the deputy "I think I know what you're talking about" before invoking his right to an attorney.

Marchy was charged with attempted burglary of an inhabited dwelling and disorderly conduct along with having suffered two prior convictions for committing a lewd act with a child, both "strikes" under California's "Three Strikes" law, elevating the potential maximum punishment to life in prison.

Jury trial commenced on March 28, 2023, presided over by Judge Linda McFadden. One week later, on April 4th, the jury convicted Marchy of attempted residential burglary. In a separate court trial, Judge McFadden found both allegations regarding the "strike" prior convictions to be true.

During a sentencing hearing on June 5th after denying a defense motion to dismiss one or both of Marchy's "strike" priors, Judge McFadden sentenced Marchy to serve 25 years-to-life in state prison for the attempted burglary conviction plus an additional five years for each prior to run consecutive, making a total prison sentence of 35 years-to-life.

Marchy was remanded in custody of the Sheriff's Department to await transport to the Department of Corrections.

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