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Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Johnathan Junior Indalecio, age 27, of Modesto, has been convicted of two felony counts of child sexual abuse and sentenced to prison. Deputy District Attorney Erin Schwartz prosecuted the case on behalf of the People.

In April of 2017, John Doe reported that Indalecio, his cousin, had molested him several years earlier on 60-70 occasions starting when the victim was 10 years old and continuing until Indalecio moved out. During an investigation by Modesto police detectives, Indalecio made several incriminating statements. He admitted that he orally copulated John Doe, stating "I wasn't in the right state of mind, so I don't really have a recollection of what happened." Indalecio claimed he touched the minor child no more than 20 times.

On July 30, 2018, Indalecio entered a plea to one count of oral copulation with a child 10 years old or younger and one count of continuous sexual abuse of a child.

At today's sentencing hearing, John Doe's mother addressed the court, stating "I hope you...will one day understand [that] you may be going away for years, but my son will forever have to live with what you did to him, and I will forever have to live with my cousin hurting my son, in our home, while I was in the next room." John Doe's aunt also addressed the court, speaking to her entire family, including the defendant, stating "I pray we can all leave and continue healing."

Judge Robert Westbrook then sentenced Indalecio to serve 27 years to life in state prison. If he is ever released from custody, he will remain on parole for the rest of his life.

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