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Jury Convicts West Sacramento Man of Child Molestation

Nang Sam faces life in prison for repeatedly sexually assaulting a young girl over 6 years (Woodland, CA) – August 22, 2011 - District Attorney Jeff Reisig announced that on Thursday August 18, 2011, a Yolo County Jury convicted 27-year-old Nang Sam of West Sacramento of 36 counts of child molestation which occurred over a six year period of time where Sam repeatedly sexually assaulted his young victim. During the jury trial, the victim testified that beginning in 2003, when she was seven years old, and ending in 2008 just before her thirteenth birthday, she was repeatedly sexually assaulted by Sam. After reporting the sexual abuse to an adult, a report was made to the West Sacramento Police Department which conducted an investigation into the child's allegations, resulting in the arrest of Nang Sam on February 3, 2011.

West Sacramento Police detectives accumulated statements and cell phone information from Sam that ultimately confirmed for the jury the long history of sexual abuse reported by the victim. The Yolo County Multi-Disciplinary Interview (MDI) Center was instrumental in obtaining and preserving the young victim's report of the sexual abuse she suffered, and that interview was presented to the jury.

Supervising Deputy District Attorney Rob Gorman, who prosecuted Sam, thanked the West Sacramento Police Department, the staff at the Yolo County MDI Center, the Victim Services Division, the physicians and nurses at the BEAR Clinic, and the jury for all of their efforts in obtaining justice for the victim.

Sam will be sentenced on October 7, 2011 by the Honorable Judge Stephen Mock. Sam faces multiple life sentences under the Sex Offender Punishment, Control and Containment act of 2006.

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