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**Dunnigan Man Convicted of Kidnapping and Sex with 13 Year Old Girl
Jason Sigur was convicted of 41 counts and faces a life sentence in state prison
(Woodland, CA) - April 4, 2012 - District Attorney Jeff Reisig announced that on April 3, 2012, a Yolo County jury convicted 36-year-old Dunnigan man Jason Stephen Sigur of 41 counts of kidnapping, sex with a child under 14 years of age, communicating with a minor for purpose of committing a sex act, and burglary. Sigur met the 13-year-old victim on an internet chat room in August, 2010. He immediately began visiting the victim in person at her El Dorado Hills home, sneaking in through the bedroom window while the victim's mother was asleep in another room. On his fourth visit, Sigur had sex with the victim. Sigur continued going to the victim's home and having sex with her at least two times per week. On October 14, 2010, Sigur persuaded the victim to leave her home and go to Dunnigan to live with him. The victim's mother called police when she discovered her daughter missing the morning October 15, 2010. Yolo County Sheriff's deputies quickly located the victim at Sigur's trailer in Dunnigan. The cell phones of the victim and Sigur provided important evidence in this case. The District Attorney's High Tech Computer Forensic Unit conducted the analysis which allowed the prosecution to present supporting evidence of the relationship between Sigur and the victim.**

Yolo County Supervising Deputy District Attorney Michelle Serafin prosecuted the case. Serafin commended the work of Sheriff's detective Dean Nyland and the other Yolo County Sheriff's deputies who worked on the case, stating "The Yolo County Sheriff's Department conducted an excellent investigation which gave the jury all the evidence they needed to take this child predator off the streets." The jury trial was presided over by the Honorable Steven L. Mock, Judge of the Yolo County Superior Court.

District Attorney Jeff Reisig stated, "Cases like this demonstrate the real threat that exists to children when they are given unsupervised access to the internet. Child sexual predators like this defendant are now using technology to seduce and lure kids from their homes. In order to protect children from these online predators, it is critically important to teach and emphasize the importance of internet safety to young people and also ensure that there is some meaningful parental supervision of kids on the internet."

Sigur faces life in state prison when he is sentenced by Judge Mock on May 1, 2012 at 8:30 a.m. in Department 3.

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