COUNTY OF FRESNO

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DINUBA MAN CONVICTED OF MULTIPLE CHARGES OF CHILD MOLEST IN FRESNO COUNTY

Jose Antonio Polino (39, of Dinuba), was convicted today of multiple charges of child molest against multiple victims, the Fresno County District Attorney's Office has announced.

A Fresno County Jury has found Jose Polino guilty of the following felony charges:

- 1. Seven (7) counts of Lewd Act Upon a Child Under the Age of Fourteen [P.C. § 288(a)];
- 2. One (1) count of Oral Copulation with a Child 10 Years of Age or Younger [P.C. § 288.7(b)]; and
- 3. Two (2) counts of Digital Penetration with a Child 10 Years of Age or Younger [P.C. § 288.7(b)].

The jury also found that the defendant committed these crimes against multiple victims [P.C. § 667.61(e)(4)].

As a result of the convictions, Mr. Polino faces a sentence of up to 150 years to life when he sentenced on May 21, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54 of the Fresno County Superior Court. However, upon reaching age 60 and after serving 25 years, Mr. Polino will be eligible for release under the Elderly Parole Program.

The case was investigated by Fresno Police Department Detective Jennifer Federico, and was prosecuted by DDA Kelly Smith with the assistance of Investigators Jesse Perez and Jeff Truschel.

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