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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Ray Allen Beaty
Prison Sentence

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Ray Allen Beaty, age 30, of Modesto, was sentenced to 32 years to life in prison for the Rape and Robbery of an "escort" he met via Backpage.com. A jury convicted Beaty after a week-long trial in November 2016. Chief Deputy District Attorney Annette Rees prosecuted the case.

On March 6, 2015 Beaty made arrangements to meet Jane Doe at the Super 8 motel in Salida. The two negotiated a price and the victim began to perform the services agreed. Suddenly, without warning, the defendant began punching Jane Doe in the face, rendering her unconscious. When she awoke her face was covered in blood and the defendant had his hands on her neck. The defendant then made clear he intended to have sex with Jane Doe again and she complied out of fear. "I thought I was going to die," she told the jury. After attempting to clean any DNA evidence off the victim, the defendant then decided to take the victim's money and her cell phone before he fled

The victim was taken for medical treatment and a sexual assault examination. A swab taken from the victim included semen which matched the defendant. DOJ Criminalist Sarah Penn testified to the DNA analysis.

The defendant's cell phone was forensically examined and Detective Chris Weber of the Modesto Police Department testified about the data he recovered from the phone. All of the searches regarding prostitutes were found, along with the 3 phone calls to the victim. The audio files of directions from the Google maps app on the phone also coincided with the location of the hotel.

Beaty has two prior sexual assault convictions which the jury heard testimony about, including the defendant's statement in 2008 that a sexual battery (grabbing the breast of an unsuspecting young female at a bus stop) "gives me a high."

Beaty was sentenced to the maximum time of 5 years on the Robbery, plus two years for each of his prison commitment priors, for a total of 7 years, for which he will earn only 15% credits. In addition, due to the infliction of great bodily injury on the victim in the course of the rape, the defendant was sentenced to 25 years to life consecutively. As rape is a forcible sexual assault, the defendant must serve the full 25 years with no earned credits.

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