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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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Re: People v. Douglas Eugene Bisson Phone: (209) 525-5550

Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Douglas Eugene Bisson, age 45, was convicted on December 15, 2014 of two counts of felony child molestation. Deputy District Attorney Merrill Hoult prosecuted the case for the People.

On May 25, 2014, Bisson's girlfriend caught him with the 13-year-old victim. The victim later disclosed that Bisson had fondled her on prior occasions.

At a sentencing hearing on December 29, 2014, Judge Ricardo Cordova sentenced Bisson to 8 years in state prison. The crimes are considered "strikes" under California's "Three Strikes" law. Bisson will be required to register as a sex offender upon his release from state prison.