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Port Hueneme Man Convicted of Raping Victim with Alzheimer's Disease

VENTURA, Calif. – District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that Joseph Lynn Johnson (DOB 02/14/79), of Port Hueneme, has been convicted by a jury of raping an incompetent person. A judge also found true the aggravating factor that the victim was particularly vulnerable.

In February 2020, Johnson was caught having sex with a woman who suffers from Alzheimer's disease. The incident happened at a home in Port Hueneme. Johnson was a family friend of the victim, who was being cared for by her daughter. While the daughter stepped away to take a shower, she returned to find Johnson on top of her mother in the bedroom.

Deputy District Attorney Emily Reber, a member of the Ventura County District Attorney's Office Sexual Assault Unit, prosecuted the case.

"We are grateful to the jury for their careful consideration and for delivering a verdict that brings justice to the victim," Ms. Reber said. "This defendant exploited the vulnerability of a woman who deserved care and dignity, not manipulation and harm."

Johnson is scheduled to be sentenced on May 22, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. in courtroom 14 of the Ventura County Superior Court. He faces eight years in state prison. Johnson was remanded into custody at the Ventura County Jail.

Case: 2020025806

Defendant Information:

Joseph Lynn Johnson (DOB 02/14/79)
Port Hueneme, Calif.

Charges:

- PC 261(a)(1) – Rape of an incompetent person

Special allegations:

- CRC 4.421(a)(3) – Victim was vulnerable

