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Jury Finds Pedro Castro Guilty of Sexual Molestation of Minor
People v. Pedro Castro: Kern County Superior Court Case LF015202A

(Bakersfield) - Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced a significant conviction in a sexual molestation case today. On April 29, 2025, a Kern County jury convicted Pedro Castro of having sexual intercourse with a child 10 years old or younger, continuous sexual abuse, lewd and lascivious acts upon a child, and oral copulation on a child. The case was prosecuted by Supervising Deputy District Attorney Richard Choi.

In December of 2024, the juvenile victim reported that a family member, Pedro Castro, had been sexually abusing her for approximately 5 years. Castro admitted to the sexual abuse and wrote an apology letter to the victim. During Castro's trial, a second victim testified Castro sexually assaulted her as well.

District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer commented; "Castro exploited his proximity to the minor, preying on the innocence of a child. My heart goes out to the victim, who despite having to relive the unimaginable trauma, found the courage to confront her abuser and speak her truth to ensure that justice was achieved."

Sentencing is set for July 8, 2025, before the Honorable Kenneth C. Twisselman in Department 9 of the Kern County Superior Court. Castro faces 25 years to life in prison.

Pedro Castro:

