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SEASIDE MAN SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, CRIMINAL THREATS

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Monterey County District Attorney Dean D. Flippo announced today that on February 14, Robert Wesley Dobson, age 37 of Seaside, was sentenced to two years and eight months in prison for inflicting corporal injury on a dating partner and making criminal threats to kill her.

On November 24, 2016, Dobson got into an argument with the victim, his girlfriend of one week. The victim reported that Dobson had struck her in the face and on the back of her head with a closed fist. When the victim told Dobson that she was ending their relationship, he grabbed her by the neck and strangled her with both hands, causing her to have trouble breathing and leaving visible injuries. As she tried to run away from Dobson, he kicked her in the stomach and then fled the residence. Dobson was arrested later that day after getting into a hit-and-run accident in a vehicle he was driving without the owner's permission.

While the victim was speaking to police later in the day, Dobson sent her text messages accusing her of betraying him and threatening to have unknown associates sexually assault her.

Judge Carrie M. Panetta sentenced Dobson to two years and eight months in prison for the two felony offenses.

The case was investigated by Presidio of Monterey Police Department Officer Antonio Jardines.