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20-YEAR-OLD SALINAS SOFTBALL COACH PLEADS GUILTY TO TWO COUNTS OF CHILD MOLESTATION

People v. Madison Perez Nott; 18CR011936

SALINAS, California- Monterey County District Attorney Jeannine M. Pacioni announced today that on April 9, 2019, Madison Perez Nott, age 20, a resident of Watsonville, pled guilty to two counts of committing a lewd act on a child under the age of fourteen years. Both charges are violent felonies and are considered “strikes” under California’s Three Strikes law.

In 2018, Nott was the head coach for an all-female Salinas softball team for minors. Jane Doe was a player on the team coached by Nott and was under fourteen years old at the time. Jane Doe reported that she had a sexual relationship with Nott during the fall softball season, from September through November 2018. The sexually inappropriate contact with Doe occurred when Nott met with Doe after practice or after team-building events. During an interview with Salinas Police Detective Yolanda Rocha, Nott admitted to engaging in multiple sexual acts with Jane Doe.

Judge Rafael Vazquez will sentence Nott on June 20, 2019. She faces up to 10 years in prison. In addition, Nott will be required to register as a sex offender for life.

The case was investigated by Det. Rocha and other officers from the Salinas Police Department.

If you suspect that a child may be the victim of sexual abuse, you are encouraged to report it to the law enforcement agency where the abuse occurred. Some warning signs that a child is being sexually abused by his/her coach include: the coach acts differently with the child than with other players, the coach spends more time with the child than with other players, the coach tries to be alone with the child, the coach gives the child gifts, the coach tries to control the child’s life off the field, the child has sudden unexplained behavioral changes, or the child has physical signs of abuse including injuries or sexually transmitted diseases. If you see one or more of these signs, it does not automatically mean that your child has been abused, but we encourage you to be vigilant and talk to your child. Trained counselors are available 24 hours a day - Monterey County Rape Crisis Center: (831) 375-4357 or (831) 424-4357, Monterey County YWCA: (831) 372-6300 or (831) 757-1001, or the Child Protection Hotline: 1-800-540-4000.