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Convicted Rapist Pleads Guilty to Sexually Assaulting Two Additional Victims

VENTURA, Calif. – Ventura County District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that Jaden Joseph Pullen (DOB 01/30/98), of Ojai, changed his plea today in a case where he is charged with five sexual assault felonies against two victims. Pullen pled guilty to two counts of forcible rape, one count each of forcible oral copulation on a minor over 14, oral copulation of a person under 18, and unlawful sexual intercourse. He also admitted to the aggravating circumstance of engaging in violent conduct.

In 2018, Pullen sexually assaulted two victims. Pullen was known to the victims and the assaults happened at a home he shared with one of them in the city of Ojai. The victims came forward in 2020 after Pullen was convicted of forcible rape and sodomy by force against another victim, in a separate case.

Senior Deputy District Attorney Twyla Atmore, a member of the Ventura County District Attorney's Office Sexual Assault Unit, is prosecuting the case.

"Though the victims still live with the trauma of what the defendant did to them, his guilty plea today will at least spare them from having to relive the assaults on the stand," Ms. Atmore said.

Pullen is scheduled to be sentenced on November 16, 2026. He faces a maximum of 27 years, 4 months in state prison.

Case: 2024010232

Defendant Information:

Jaden Joseph Pullen (DOB 01/30/98)

Ojai

Charges pled to:

- PC 261(a)(c) – Forcible rape (2 counts)
- PC 287(c)(2)(C) – Forcible oral copulation on minor over 14
- PC 288a(b)(1) – Oral copulation of a person under 18
- PC 261.5(c) - Unlawful sexual intercourse

Special allegations admitted:

- CRC 4.421(b)(1) – Defendant has engaged in violent conduct

