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**SHASTA COUNTY MAN SENTENCED TO 96 YEARS 8 MONTHS TO
LIFE IN STATE PRISON FOR SEXUAL ABUSE OF TWO CHILDREN**

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Today, Shasta County Judge Stephen H. Baker sentenced Nicky Wayne Boone, 32 years old of Shasta County, to 96 years, 8 months to life in state prison for sexually abusing two young boys. The victims were aged 8 and 5 at the time the defendant abused them. Boone was found guilty by a jury on June 16, 2016 after a trial which saw multiple witnesses testify against the defendant including one of the victims. Boone was found guilty of 3 counts of oral copulation with a child 10 years of age or younger, 3 counts of lewd or lascivious acts with a child under 14 years of age and 1 count of possession or control of child pornography. At the time these crimes occurred Boone was on probation for a second degree commercial burglary. Judge Baker found Boone in violation of his probation. Boone admitted that he suffered a conviction for rape of an unconscious person in 2004.

Evidence presented at trial showed the molestation of the two victims occurred in 2015 when Boone was living with the victim's family. During one incident of sexual abuse of the 8 year old victim Boone took a photograph of the act of oral copulation and a thumbnail of that photograph was discovered on Boone's phone. Evidence was also presented at trial that Boone attempted to dissuade witnesses from testifying and tamper with a future jury. Additionally, jurors learned Boone was responsible for sexually assaulting and forcibly sodomizing an inmate Boone was housed with at the Shasta County jail while waiting for a trial in this current case.

During sentencing Judge Baker noted this lengthy sentence would serve to protect the public from Boone's criminal behavior, punish Boone for these horrible acts and serve to deter future individuals from committing these types of sexual abuse. Boone is required to register as a sex offender should he ever be released from prison and he will be subject to lifetime parole.

The case was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Sarah Murphy and investigated by Detective Ken Koenen of the Shasta County Sheriff's Office. The victims and their family were supported by Senior Victim Advocate Deborah Heide.