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Kailan Meserve was sentenced today after being found guilty earlier this year of 15 felony charges: three counts of forcible rape, six counts of forcible oral copulation, false imprisonment, assault by means likely to produce great bodily injury, criminal threats, two counts of sexual battery, and sexual penetration by a foreign object.

At sentencing statements were read to the court describing the impact the defendant's conduct had on the two victims and members of their families. Superior Court Judge Timothy Cissna imposed a sentence of 23 years in prison, lifetime registration as a sex offender and a lifetime restriction on gun ownership.

Deputy District Attorney Brie Bennett prosecuted the case; attorney Russ Clanton defended Kailan Meserve.

In the same courtroom today 32-year-old Zachary Glascoe of Arcata was sentenced to felony probation for Gross Vehicular Manslaughter While Intoxicated (Penal Code Section 191.5(a)). Mr. Glascoe pled guilty to the charge on July 5, 2016.

On September 7, 2013, Mr. Glascoe, who had a prior conviction for driving under the influence in 2007, was driving recklessly while under the influence of methamphetamine, lost control of his vehicle and collided with another vehicle. The collision killed Mr. Glascoe's passenger, his 28-year-old girlfriend Jane Goodearle.

The Humboldt County District Attorney's Office argued for a prison sentence for the defendant.

In granting probation, the judge ordered the defendant to participate in Drug Court. Mr. Glascoe has been in jail since May 1, 2015 when he was arrested on the warrant for failing to appear in court on this case. To receive probation Mr. Glascoe waived all his jail credits for the time served. Therefore, if he violates probation he will be facing a potential sentence of 10 years in prison.