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### **CHILD MOLESTER SENTENCED TO 150 YEARS WITH NO PAROLE**

On Friday, February 2, 2018, Regino Salinas, 57, of Waxahachie, Texas, was found guilty of two charges of Continuous Sexual Abuse of Young Child. The jury deliberated for only 46 minutes. On Monday, February 5, 2018, the same jury sentenced Salinas to 75 years in prison with no possibility of parole. Judge Bob Carroll of the 40<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court ruled that the sentences will run consecutively.

Beginning around July of 2010, Salinas began sexually abusing multiple underage girls while they were at his home for visits. The victims recall being as young as 6 and as old as 12 when the abuse occurred. After one of his victims reported the abuse to her teacher on her birthday in 2016, she and four other related girls recounted their memories of the abuse to a forensic interviewer at the Ellis County Child Advocacy Center, The Gingerbread House. During closing arguments, Assistant Ellis County & District Attorney Russell Jones implored the jurors to stand up for “the most vulnerable members of our community.”

There is no parole on this offense. Salinas will be required to serve the first 75 year sentence before the second 75 year sentence begins. He will also be required to register as a sex offender.

Prosecutors Russell Jones and Habon Mohamed would like to thank Detective Elizabeth Glidewell of the Waxahachie Police Department for her work on this case. Her work, and the work of others in our law enforcement community, ensures that victims of sexual abuse in Ellis County receive the justice they deserve. Their hope is that this sentence begins a healing process for Salinas’s victims. This sentence again sends a clear message that sexual abuse of children will not be tolerated, excused, or ignored in Ellis County.

