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AG Balderas Ensures Convicted Sex Offender Stays in Prison for Raping High-School Girl

Albuquerque, NM - Today, Attorney General Balderas announced that Second Judicial District Court Judge Jacqueline Flores sentenced 28-year-old Edward Cebada to 16 years in prison for forcibly raping a 16-year-old high-school female in her car at Cottonwood Mall in Albuquerque while he was on sex-offender parole. A Bernalillo County jury in June of 2019 convicted Cebada of one count of Criminal Sexual Penetration of a Minor and one count of Attempt to Commit Criminal Sexual Penetration of a Minor after a weeklong trial. This case was investigated and prosecuted by the Office of the Attorney General.

“This man is a repeat offender, who should not have been near children.” said Attorney General Balderas, “I will be asking our New Mexico Legislature to expand our impact justice model throughout New Mexico.”

Cebada’s 16-year prison sentence will run consecutive to the prison sentence he is currently serving, meaning this sentence will not begin until that sentence ends. Cebada is already a registered sex offender.

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