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District Attorney Announces 195-Year Sentence in South Bay Sex Offender Case

San Diego County District Attorney [Bonnie M. Dumanis](#) today announced a 195 year-to-life sentence for a Northern California sex offender who was convicted in South Bay of forcible lewd act on a child, attempted kidnapping, robbery and attempted robberies. Leonard Scroggins, 34, was sentenced this morning to 150 years plus an additional 45 years in state prison by Superior Court Judge George Clarke.

“Our South Bay Branch and in particular, Deputy District Attorney Enrique Camarena, have done an outstanding job pursuing justice in this case,” DA Dumanis said. “Thanks to this conviction, a sex offender is off the streets and will spend the rest of his life in prison.”

Scroggins, who has a history of sexual assault attacks in Northern California, has two previous felony convictions. Scroggins had broken off his sexual registrant GPS bracelet and then traveled to San Diego County, where he committed his latest crimes. Scroggins’ prior convictions place him square under the state's Three Strikes law, which significantly increases the potential punishments for repeat offenders.

He was arrested following a manhunt after he had stolen a woman's purse as she walked down a street and attempted to kidnap a 13-year-old National City girl at knife point.

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