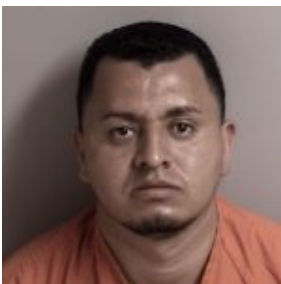


# SLT man faces possible life sentence for sex crimes

A former maintenance worker at a South Lake Tahoe hotel was convicted on seven felony counts, including kidnapping for the purpose of committing a sexual assault, as well as six additional counts and numerous special allegations relating to the subsequent sexual assault of the victim.



Manuel Ramos-Munoz

Manuel Ovidio Ramos-Munoz, 32, could face life in prison. Sentencing is scheduled for Jan. 19. He has been taken into custody without bail.

According to the El Dorado County District Attorney's Office, "On June 11, 2015, the 22-year-old victim had recently arrived from Macedonia to work for the summer as an exchange student when she was taken at knife point by Ramos-Munoz from the steps of her hotel room. Ramos-Munoz forced the victim into the dark, secluded parking lot adjacent to her hotel and repeatedly sexually and physically assaulted her, resulting in numerous injuries to the young victim."

Ramos-Munoz had been a maintenance worker and resident at the Big Pines Mountain House of Tahoe for four years prior to the incident,

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