



Lafourche Parish District Attorney's Office IN THE NEWS

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THIBODAUX – A Raceland man convicted in 2016 of obscenity was determined to be a habitual offender Friday and sentenced to serve 45 years in prison.

Glen Thompkins, 41, was accused of having six prior felonies at the time of his September 2016 conviction for obscenity. Under Louisiana's habitual offender law, the District Attorney's Office sought to have Thompkins' sentence enhanced.

"We have always taken a hard stance against repeat offenders," said District Attorney Camille A. Morvant, II. "The habitual offender law helps us do that. It's an important tool for prosecutors, and we won't hesitate to use it in appropriate cases such as this."

"Mr. Thompkins is a career criminal who had been given several opportunities to rehabilitate himself and lead a crime free life," said Assistant District Attorney Shaun George, who handled the habitual offender hearing for the State. "He ignored each of these opportunities and continually proved his disregard for the law. The 45 year sentenced handed down by Judge Lanier was the end result of his years of poor decisions."

Thompkins' prior convictions included a second degree battery, distribution of cocaine, three separate possession of cocaine violations, and a conviction for battery on a correctional officer.

The Hon. Walter I. Lanier, III, who presided over the hearing Friday, determined that Thompkins had at one point in his life been either incarcerated or on supervised probation or parole for 17 straight years.

Thompkins is also facing prosecution on two counts of aggravated incest. First Assistant District Attorney Kristine M. Russell, who prosecutes all sexual assault cases in Lafourche Parish involving juvenile victims, said that it was important to inform the

victims of this development before moving on to the next potential case against Thompkins.

“As with all cases involving victims of sexual assault, we want to keep them and their families informed of every development that might affect the trial in any way,” she said. “No matter what that might be, we feel it’s our obligation to consult with them before taking the next step, and that’s what we will be doing.”