Dugard loses federal parole case



Jaycee Lee Dugard was held captive in a backyard in Antioch for 18 years. Photo/Provided

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A federal appeals court decided by a 2-1 vote Friday that Jaycee Lee Dugard, who was kidnapped as a child from a bus stop in Meyers and held by a parolee for 18 years, cannot hold federal parole officials liable for failing to supervise her abductor.

“Phillip Garrido, a parolee with a terrible history of drug-fueled sexual violence, committed unspeakable crimes against Jaycee Dugard for 18 years,” U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals Judge John B. Owens wrote. “State and federal authorities missed many opportunities to stop these tragic events.”

Dugard received a $20 million settlement from California and sued the federal government for similar compensation.

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