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### **FIRST 'JOHN DOE' SENTENCED TO PRISON**

A man accused of repeatedly breaking into the homes of women and exposing himself while masturbating has been sentenced to a lengthy prison term today.

**Terre Jefferson** (dob: 05-17-74) was sentenced to 27 years in prison – 9 years for each of three separate Denver victims.

In 2002 and twice in 2004, a man with a foot fetish broke into homes in Denver and left his DNA behind. The DNA confirmed it was the same man but investigators did not have the man's name. Concerned that the statute of limitations would run out, Denver DA Mitch Morrissey filed formal charges using the man's DNA code to identify him rather than his name.

The DNA was eventually linked to Terre Jefferson, who also faced similar cases in Boulder.