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## Man Sentenced For Raping Woman in Boyle Heights

A 23-year-old man has been sentenced to 46 years to life in state prison for raping a woman after he broke into her Boyle Heights home armed with a machete, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Manuel Larios Munoz was sentenced yesterday by Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Mildred Escobedo.

Jurors found Munoz guilty in December 2016 of one count each of forcible rape, forcible oral copulation, sexual penetration by foreign object, first-degree residential burglary, person present, and assault.

Deputy District Attorney Lowrie Mendoza of the Sex Crimes Division prosecuted the case.

On May 15, 2015, Munoz broke into the victim's house shortly after midnight. He got on top of the 30-year-old woman and sexually assaulted her. He then dressed himself, grabbed a machete that he brought off the floor and left the house, the prosecutor said.

A month earlier, Munoz attempted to rape a 34-year-old woman who had been sitting in her car across the street from where the other victim lived.

Case BA436670 was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department's Hollenbeck Division.

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