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**Jury Convicts Inglewood Man  
of Attempted Murder of Police Officers**

An Inglewood man was convicted today of nine counts of willful, premeditated attempted murder of police officers, rape of a hostage and other counts following a nine-hour standoff more than two years ago, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Jurors, who deliberated just over two days, also found Christopher Warsaw, 47, guilty of nine counts of assault on a peace officer with a semiautomatic firearm, one count each of kidnapping and forcible rape of a 14-year-old child, two counts of false imprisonment of a hostage and one count of possession of a firearm by a felon. The jury also found true the gun allegations.

Warsaw is facing life in prison without the possibility of parole plus multiple life terms when he returns to Department 101 on April 15 for sentencing before Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Ronald Coen.

Deputy District Attorney Mary Murray with the Crimes Against Peace Officers Unit prosecuted the case.

On Nov. 27, 2013, Inglewood police were called after neighbors heard piercing screams from a 14-year-old girl who was being dragged at gunpoint into a residence in the 10700 block of 5th Avenue.

During a nine-hour standoff, Warsaw opened fire on police, shooting one Inglewood officer in the chest. Police said the officer was saved by his bulletproof vest. They were finally able to arrest Warsaw and free his girlfriend and the child who were being held hostage during the ordeal.

Case YA088998 was investigated by the Inglewood Police Department.

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