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**Man Sentenced For Domestic Violence-Related Attack  
of Aunt, Children's Mother in Pomona**

A 32-year-old man was sentenced today to four years in state prison for attacking his children's mother and his aunt last month, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Robert Allen Shirley of Pomona pleaded no contest earlier this month to three felony counts in case KA111879: injuring a child's parent, assault with a deadly weapon and resisting executive officer. He also admitted a special allegation that he used a deadly and dangerous weapon, a knife, during the commission of the crime.

Deputy District Attorney Kelsey McKeever-Unger of the Victim Impact Program, who prosecuted the case, said Shirley got into an argument on Feb. 21 with his children's mother in her Pomona home.

During the fight, Shirley's aunt, who lives next door, saw them in an altercation and called police for help, the prosecutor said.

When authorities arrived at the home, they discovered Shirley holding a knife to the aunt's throat, the prosecutor added.

Law enforcement shot beanbags at the defendant so he released his aunt. After several shots, the woman broke free and police were able to subdue and arrest Shirley.

The case was investigated by the Pomona Police Department.

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