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Man Found Guilty of Domestic Violence Kidnapping, Assault of Ex-Girlfriend in Duarte

A jury today found a 38-year-old man guilty of kidnapping his ex-girlfriend by forcing her into a car, assaulting her and threatening to kill her, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Yoobin Kang Hernandez said Alberto Casillas was found guilty of three felony counts in case GA101048: kidnapping, injuring an ex-girlfriend and making criminal threats.

Casillas is scheduled to be sentenced on Sept. 28 in Department 1 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Alhambra Branch. The defendant faces a maximum sentence of 24 years and four months in state prison.

On May 3, Casillas went to his ex-girlfriend's Duarte home and while in front of the woman's residence, forced her into his vehicle and threatened to hurt her if she got out, the prosecutor said.

According to evidence presented during the four-day long trial, Casillas then drove to his East Los Angeles home. A witness to the abduction contacted law enforcement about the attack.

When officers arrived at the defendant's home, they found the victim in the driveway with injuries to her body, according to witness testimony.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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