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West Hollywood Man Charged with Ax Attack at Convenience Store

A West Hollywood man has been charged with attacking another with an ax at a convenience store last week, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Kisu Brown (dob 9/8/75) pleaded not guilty yesterday to one count each of attempted murder and aggravated mayhem.

Case SA096420 alleges Brown inflicted great bodily injury on the victim during the commission of the crime. In addition, the complaint alleges prior convictions for receiving stolen property in 1999, second-degree commercial burglary in 2003, assault with a deadly weapon, an automobile, in 2005, petty theft with priors in 2008, and petty theft and possession of cocaine in 2013.

Brown is scheduled to return to court on Oct. 3 in Department 31 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Airport Branch, to set a date for a preliminary hearing.

On Sept. 2, Brown reportedly was confronted by a clerk at a West Hollywood convenience store for alleged shoplifting. A customer in the store offered to pay for the items Brown had allegedly taken, prosecutors said.

The defendant allegedly then confronted the good Samaritan for offering to pay and a struggle ensued inside the store, according to prosecutors. Brown then reportedly exited the establishment but stopped outside the door. When the victim exited, the defendant allegedly attacked him with an ax and beat him repeatedly on the head, prosecutors added.

Bail is set at \$1.1 million. Brown faces a possible maximum sentence of life in state prison.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, West Hollywood Station.

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