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## Man Convicted of South El Monte Home Burglary

A 51-year-old man was convicted yesterday of breaking into a house and threatening to kill the homeowner, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

A jury found Robert Andrew Rodriguez (dob 11/9/65) guilty of two felony counts in case KA111372: first-degree burglary, person present, and making criminal threats.

The defendant is scheduled to be sentenced Feb. 23 in Department S at the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Pomona Branch. Rodriguez faces up to 35 years to life in state prison.

Deputy District Attorney Kelsey McKeever-Unger of the Victim Impact Program, who prosecuted the case, said on the evening of Dec. 14, 2015, Rodriguez broke into a South El Monte home through a window.

The defendant went to the upstairs bedroom, encountered the female homeowner and threatened to kill her, the prosecutor said.

The victim called out to her son to notify police of the intruder. She also yelled for her husband for help, the prosecutor added. The husband responded to his wife, confronted Rodriguez and told the defendant to leave, according to the prosecutor.

At that point Rodriguez fled the home, the prosecutor added. Authorities arrived, interviewed the victim and began searching the surrounding area for the defendant. The next day, Rodriguez was located, identified as the burglar and taken into custody, the prosecutor said.

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

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