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Man Found Guilty of Domestic Violence Attack in Panorama City, Standoff in Glendale

A 22-year-old man has been found guilty of several felony counts for a domestic violence attack on his ex-girlfriend's infant sister and family which led to a police pursuit that ended in Glendale, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Ani Bailey said Jorge Gomez of Pacoima was found guilty yesterday of four felony counts of attempted murder and assault with a deadly weapon, a knife. He also was convicted of one felony count each of fleeing a pursuing peace officer's motor vehicle while driving recklessly and dissuading a witness by force or threat and one misdemeanor count of hit-and-run driving resulting in property damage.

The jury also found true allegations that Gomez personally used a knife in the attacks, that he inflicted great bodily injury and that the attempted murders were willful, deliberate and premeditated.

Sentencing is scheduled for Nov. 28 in Department J of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, San Fernando Branch. The defendant faces multiple life sentences.

On Dec. 18, 2016, Gomez broke into the Panorama City home of his ex-girlfriend's mother. The defendant then attacked the mother and the ex-girlfriend's 11-month-old sister, according to court testimony.

Gomez also lunged toward the ex-girlfriend's 3-year-old sister, but she was shielded from the attack by an aunt, the prosecutor said. Gomez then fled the area, leading police on a high-speed pursuit, which caused an accident in Glendale, before barricading himself for approximately four hours, the prosecutor added.

Case PA087810 was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department, Mission Division.

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