

Defendant Convicted for Series of Armed Robberies



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DATE: June 7, 2018

CASE: Taher Farraj (Case #17FE007880)

PROSECUTOR: Deputy District Attorney James Wax, Career Criminal Prosecution Unit

Taher Farraj was convicted by a jury of three counts of robbery. The jury also found true gun use and intentional discharge of a firearm allegations. Prior to trial, Farraj pled to being a felon in possession of a firearm and being a felon in possession of ammunition.

On April 15, April 18 and April 24 of 2017, Farraj robbed the same convenience store on Fruitridge Road while armed. Farraj would either ask for change or make a purchase to get the clerks to open the cash register. He would then pull out a silver revolver and grab money from the registers. During one of the robberies, Farraj fired the gun off at the store ceiling. The three robberies were captured on surveillance cameras inside the store. A probation search of Farraj's residence and car revealed clothing that matched the clothes worn by the suspect during the robberies and a .22 caliber silver revolver, which was loaded with 6 rounds.

Farraj has prior convictions for being a felon in possession of a firearm and the sale/transport of marijuana.

Farraj faces a maximum sentence of 35 years in prison.

Sentencing is set for August 3, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14 before the Honorable Tami Bogert.

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