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## RESULTS FOR JURY TRIALS PROSECUTED IN CALENDAR YEAR 2019 $\sim$ Weighted jury trial conviction rate: $78\,\%$ $\sim$

<u>Trial Date</u>	<u>Defendant</u>	Prosecutor	Subject Matter	<u>Verdict</u>
01/07/2019	Dustin A. Golyers	Geddes	F Vandalism > \$400	Guilty
01/07/2019	Eric M. Patino	Oakley	F Reckless Evading	Guilty
01/07/2019	Georgie E. Britton-Hoaglin	Pearl	F Residential Burglary	Mistrial <sup>1</sup>
01/22/2019	Michael R. France	Eyster	F Felon w/ Firearm	<b>Mistrial</b> <sup>2</sup>
02/04/2019	Rhanda R, Medrano	Geddes	M Unlawful Fire	Guilty <sup>3</sup>
02/04/2019	Michael E. Blahut	Oakley	F Unlawful Tear Gas Use	Guilty
02/05/2019	John J. Parker	Stoen	F Prison Contraband	Not Guilty
02/11/2019	Hugo Alvarez Pena	Guest	M Domestic Battery	Not Guilty
02/19/2019	Diontae S. Wright Christopher D. Bradford	Eyster	F Home Invasion Robbery F Home Invasion Robbery	Guilty Guilty
02/19/2019	Anthony J. Billy	Porter	M DUI	Guilty
02/25/2019	Crystal M.R. Lockhart	Guest	F Criminal Threats	Guilty

<sup>1</sup> On January 15, 2019, the defendant admitted criminal responsibility by entering a no contest plea to a felony violation of Penal Code § 32, being an accessory to a felony, to wit, burglary. This result is now counted and weighed as a <u>draw</u>.

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  A mistrial was declared on January 24, 2019 after the jury announced it would be unable to reach a unanimous verdict. After the mistrial was declared, the jury foreman informed the trial court that the jury was split 11 for guilt to 1. The case was then set for a retrial. On June 10, 2019, the defendant entered a guilty plea to the same felony charge on the morning that jury selection was to begin for the retrial. Accordingly, this result is now counted and weighed as a <u>win</u>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This defendant was charged going into trial with felony arson of property and felony vandalism of property valued at greater than \$400. The jury acquitted the defendant of the two felonies, but instead found her guilty of the lesser crime of misdemeanor unlawful setting of a fire. While a conviction, this trial is nevertheless counted and weighed as a <u>loss</u>.

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02/25/2019	Jose E. Roman Alvarez	Porter	M Suspended CDL	Guilty <sup>4</sup>
04/02/2019	Susan M. Miller	Eyster	F Accessory to Felony	Guilty
04/08/2019	Tadeo Munoz Aparicio	Guest	M Concealed Firearm	Guilty
04/15/2019	Margarito Fuentes Ruiz	Weems	M DUI	Guilty
05/08/2019	Ricky F. Santos	Stoen	M Hit and Run Driving	<b>Guilty<sup>5</sup></b>
05/15/2019	Van Allen Hubbard	Weems	M DUI – Alcohol/Drugs	Guilty
06/03/2019	Edward B. Steele, Jr.	Porter	F Receiving Stolen Prop.	Mistrial <sup>6</sup>
06/03/2019	Daniel T. Ferrell	Weems	M DUI – Marijuana	Not Guilty
06/10/2019	Violet M. McAlister	Pearl	F Grand Theft > \$950	Guilty
06/10/2019	Deborah L. Cloud	Porter	M DUI	Guilty

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The verdict returned by the jury was comparable to the plea bargain offered the defendant had he forgone a trial. Accordingly, this result is counted and weighed as a <u>draw</u>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Two verdicts were returned by the jury – one was guilty of hit-and-run driving, and the other was not guilty of reckless driving. Accordingly, this outcome is counted and weighed as a <u>draw</u>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The matter will be called again on June 12<sup>th</sup> for setting a retrial or other disposition.