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**Re: Double Premeditated Attempted Murder Convictions In Domestic Violence Case**

Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced a significant conviction in an attempted murder case today. On August 26, 2021, a Kern County jury found Rey Ramos Falcon guilty of two counts of premeditated attempted murder, discharge of a firearm causing great bodily injury, two counts of assault with a firearm, domestic violence assault, and possession of a firearm by a felon in a case that involved a November 2018 crime of domestic violence. This case was prosecuted by DDA Cole Sherman.

On Thanksgiving morning, November 22, 2018, at about 3:50 a.m., Rey Ramos Falcon went to his ex-girlfriend's home in central Bakersfield while armed with a loaded handgun. Falcon's ex-girlfriend, her two children, and her current boyfriend were asleep inside. Upon arriving, Falcon triggered a motion detector alarm in the driveway, waking up his ex-girlfriend and her current boyfriend. The victims went to the kitchen and saw a man outside in the driveway area. One of the victims knocked on the kitchen window and turned the driveway light on but the man did not leave. The victims then opened the door that led to the driveway, stepped outside, and saw Falcon standing about fifteen feet away, in the driveway. Falcon looked at the victims, said "What's up," and immediately pointed the loaded handgun at the two victims and began shooting. Falcon fired four shots, striking the female victim once in her groin, and the male victim twice, hitting his stomach and groin. The victims retreated into their home, called 9-1-1, and laid down inside the living room of the residence as they were suffering and bleeding from the gunshots. After the victims were shot, a neighbor observed Falcon running to a nearby parking lot and fleeing in his gold-colored vehicle.

Officers from the Bakersfield Police Department and medical personnel responded to the victims' home. Both victims were transported by ambulance to Kern Medical where they received medical care for their gunshot wounds.

District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer commented on the conviction: “Perpetrators of domestic assaults can be capable of incredible violence, including going so far as to commit premeditated attempted murder with a firearm. Brazenly violent crimes, including what occurred in this case, must be met with substantial punishment to honor our commitments to victims’ rights and public safety.”

Falcon faces up to 64 years to life in prison for these crimes. Sentencing is scheduled for September 22, 2021, before the Honorable Gregory A. Pulskamp.

