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Convicted Gunman Who Terrorized Thousand Oaks Family Now Serving 5 Years

VENTURA, Calif. – Ventura County District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that convicted felon Michael Gabriel Hosey (DOB 10/01/75), of Los Angeles, was sentenced to five years in state prison after violating the terms of his parole. On October 1, the court finalized the terms of the sentence. Judge Kristi Peariso imposed the previously suspended sentence after Hosey tested positive for illegal drugs.

Hosey was originally sentenced on April 25, 2025, to 365 days in county jail and three years of formal probation for a terrifying armed home invasion and a separate vandalism spree. At that time, the judge suspended a five-year, eight-month state prison sentence and imposed local jail time with probation.

“This dangerous individual is now where he belongs, state prison,” said District Attorney Erik Nasarenko. “A woman and her teenage daughter fled upstairs in their home to escape multiple gunshots, which sowed fear and terror in the household. This criminal conduct demands the consequence of state prison.”

On April 9, 2021, after a three-day cocaine binge with no sleep, Hosey began hallucinating that his estranged wife and daughters were being held hostage. He armed himself with a loaded gun and attempted to break into four homes before arriving at a residence in Thousand Oaks, occupied by the resident and her teenage daughter.

Hosey fired a shot and began pounding and smashing his head into the front door. Fearing for her life the homeowner quickly locked the door as Hosey fired two more shots into the door lock. Thankfully, the victims were not shot and were able to retreat upstairs. Hosey then went around to the back of the house and shot a glass sliding door to get inside. He went upstairs, still armed, as the victims hid in a closet and called 9-1-1. Law enforcement arrived and took Hosey into custody.

In a separate case, Hosey was arrested on December 26, 2021, for being under the influence of a controlled substance. After his release from jail that evening, he vandalized multiple vehicles at the Ventura County Government Center, breaking windows with his fists while claiming he was trying to rescue his daughter from harm.

Case: 2021009666

Defendant Information:

Michael Gabriel Hosey (DOB 10/01/75)

Los Angeles

Charges pled to:

- PC 246 – Shooting at an inhabited dwelling
- PC 246.3(a) – Discharge of firearm with gross negligence
- (2 counts) PC 594(b)(1) – Vandalism over \$400
- PC 594(b)(2)(A) – Vandalism not exceeding \$400

Special allegations admitted:

- PC 1192.7(c)(23) – Discharge of firearm with gross
- PC 12022.5(a) – Use of firearm

