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**Strike Offender Found Guilty of Carrying a Concealed Dirk or Dagger**  
*People v. Fredrick Joseph Grijalva: Kern County Superior Court Case BF194745A*

(Bakersfield) – Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced a guilty verdict. On November 21, 2023, in a case prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Bobby Singh, a Kern County Jury found Fredrick Grijalva guilty of carrying a concealed dirk or dagger, violating a court order, and providing false identification information to peace officers. Additionally, the court found that Grijalva violated his felony probation, and that he had suffered a prior strike conviction.

On May 17, 2023, Grijalva's grandmother, age 84, called the Kern County Sheriff's office for a restraining order violation. Grijalva was on his grandmother's porch, a violation of an active restraining order against Grijalva who was ordered to stay 500 yards away from her. During a conversation with the responding Sheriff Deputy, Grijalva was asked if he had any weapons on his person, it was then that the defendant pulled out a large kitchen knife that was concealed in his front pant leg. A further search of his belongings revealed three additional knives in his possession. While being questioned about his identity, Grijalva provided a similar name but a different birthdate in an attempt to conceal his identity.

Grijalva has a prior strike conviction. On August 29, 2022, Grijalva entered a victim's residence via the attic after constantly following and stalking the victim. On November 15, 2022, Grijalva was convicted of residential burglary. Grijalva was sentenced to a year in jail and placed on felony probation with a 10-year Criminal Protective Order for the victim.

District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer commented; "Criminals on probation who violate their court-mandated terms pose a serious threat to our community. Grijalva's on-going disregard for public safety must be met with the appropriate consequences."

Sentencing is scheduled for December 21, 2023, before the honorable Judge Kenneth C. Twisselman in the Kern County Superior Courthouse. Grijalva faces up to 7 years in prison.

Fredrick Grijalva:

