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Jury Returns Guilty Verdict Against Man for Multiple Armed Robberies
People v. Cerwilliam Pryor: Kern County Superior Court Case BF188527A

(Bakersfield) - Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced a multiple robbery conviction. On May 9, 2024, in a case prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney William Mord, a Kern County jury found Cerwilliam Pryor guilty of seven counts of second-degree robbery, seven counts of assault with a semiautomatic firearm, and one count of felon in possession of a firearm. The court also found the additional allegations true that Pryor had been previously found guilty of three strikes – for robbery.

Pryor was paroled and 53-days later started a 37-day crime spree which led to his arrest. Between November 21, 2021, and December 27, 2021, Pryor's crime spree spanned six separate incidents at various gas stations throughout the Bakersfield area. During each incident, Pryor entered the gas station and selected items as he pretended to shop. When all customers had left, Pryor would set the items on the counter as if he was going to pay for them, pull out a semiautomatic firearm, point it at the cashier and demand the money from the cash register.

At three of the incidents, Pryor left fingerprint evidence. At five of the incidents, Pryor's cell phone was determined to be at the area of the crime scene at the time the crime occurred.

District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer commented on the conviction, stating; "Severe crimes call for severe consequences. Our community can rest easier knowing this career criminal will be serving a lifetime behind bars."

Sentencing is set for June 12, 2024, before the Honorable John Brownlee in Department 6 of the Kern County Superior Court. Pryor faces up to 350 years to life plus 70 years.

Cerwilliam Pryor:

