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Kern Valley State Prison Inmate Found Guilty of Assault with a Deadly Weapon
People v. David Charles Macon: Kern County Superior Court Case DF018803B

(Delano) – Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced a jury trial conviction on a case in which an inmate assaulted another inmate with a manufactured stabbing weapon. On May 28, 2025, a Kern County Jury in Delano found Kern Valley State Prison Inmate David Charles Macon guilty of two felony counts including assault with a deadly weapon by an inmate and inmate in possession of a weapon. The jury also found true that Macon had three prior felony convictions for robbery, between 1996-2016, all falling within the three strikes law. The jury also found true multiple factors in aggravation. The case was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney William Wolfe.

On January 23, 2024, Macon was an inmate at Kern Valley State Prison in Delano when he engaged in conversation with the victim inmate. During the conversation Macon suddenly produced a weapon in his right hand and lunged at the victim inmate in a slashing motion towards the victim's eyes, narrowly missing as the victim pulled away. Macon chased the victim and continually attempted to stab and slash the victim with his weapon. CDCR Officers quickly intervened and stopped the attack. Despite Macon's efforts to injure the victim, the victim inmate was not seriously injured.

Assistant District Attorney Kenneth Russell commented; "The Kern County District Attorney's Office takes acts of violence very seriously. We are committed to holding accountable anyone who unlawfully harms others—regardless of whether the perpetrator is an inmate or not."

Sentencing is scheduled for June 26, 2025, in Department C of the Kern County Superior Court in Delano before the honorable Judge David Wolf. Macon is currently serving a life sentence for robbery scheduled for possible parole in the year 2043. He now faces up to an additional 25 years to life plus 5 years in prison.

David Charles Macon:

