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Brown Found Guilty of Residential Burglary and Vandalism
People v. Herbert Brown: Kern County Superior Court Case BF199124A

(Bakersfield) - Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced a significant felony conviction today. On November 20, 2025, in a case presented by Deputy District Attorney Gevorg Novshadyan, a Kern County jury found Herbert Brown guilty of first-degree residential burglary, first degree robbery, vandalism of more than \$400, and resisting, obstructing, or delaying a peace officer. Additionally, the court found true the People's allegation of a prior robbery strike offense.

In the early morning hours of April 23, 2024, in Lake Isabella, the victim was outside her house when she was approached by Herbert Brown, who demanded the keys to one of the family vehicles. When the victim refused, Brown became very angry and began waving a metal bar in her direction. The victim went back inside her home for safety and woke up her husband. At this time, Brown forced his way inside the residence by throwing a rock through the glass door. He continued to threaten the victim and her family, including their minor children, while armed with the metal bar in pursuit of the keys to the vehicle. After obtaining the keys, Brown drove off with the family vehicle, causing more damage to the victim's property in the process.

Deputies were able to locate Brown at his residence. When commanded to exit the residence, Brown refused to cooperate for up to an hour. Brown was ultimately arrested with the assistance of a canine unit.

District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer commented; "The Three Strikes Law was created with offenders like Brown in mind, individuals who continuously demonstrate that they pose a threat to public safety. As a prior strike offender, Brown now faces more severe consequences at sentencing."

Sentencing is set for December 22, 2025, before the Honorable David Zulfa in Department 18 of the Kern County Superior Court. Brown faces up to 22 years in prison.

Herbert Brown:

