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Arroyo Found Guilty of Felony Evasion and Driving a Stolen Vehicle
People v. Julio Caesar Arroyo: Kern County Superior Court Case BF205482A

(Bakersfield) - Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced a significant verdict today. On December 9, 2025, a Kern County jury found Julio Arroyo guilty of two counts of felony evasion of a peace officer, felony driving a stolen motor vehicle, felony receiving stolen property, and misdemeanor resisting arrest. The case was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Truman Hance.

On June 15, 2025, a California Highway Patrol (CHP) officer located a reported stolen vehicle being driven by Arroyo and attempted to perform a traffic stop on the vehicle. Without hesitation, Arroyo immediately accelerated away and led the CHP officer on a lengthy and dangerous car chase. Soon after the chase began, Arroyo drove on the opposite side of traffic on both Stockdale Hwy and New Stine Rd, traveling at speeds in excess of 70 miles an hour into oncoming traffic, causing drivers to maneuver out of his way. He ran multiple red lights while traveling in excess of 50 miles an hour and nearly collided with other moving vehicles on multiple occasions. The chase ultimately concluded when Arroyo lost control of the stolen truck and crashed into three parked cars before rolling over into the front yard of a residence. The vehicle struck the surrounding brick wall and rested against the home. Immediately after the collision, Arroyo jumped out of the disabled vehicle and fled on foot. The CHP officer was able to apprehend Arroyo and take him into custody.

District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer commented; "Arroyo's offense was aggravated when he evaded law enforcement and behaved in a manner that endangered not only the responding officer but also numerous community members. This reckless and careless conduct warrants serious criminal consequences."

Sentencing is set for January 8, 2026, before the Honorable Eric Bradshaw in Department 5 of the Kern County Superior Court. Arroyo faces up to 9 years, 4 months in prison.

Julio Arroyo:

