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## **SALINAS MAN FOUND GUILTY OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND POSSESSING AN ILLEGAL GUN**

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Monterey County District Attorney Dean Flippo announced today that on June 23, 2016, Marco Luquin, age 38, a resident of Salinas, was found guilty by jury of misdemeanor domestic violence and possession of an illegal firearm. The jury acquitted Luquin of felony domestic violence. The case was heard by Monterey County Superior Court Judge Julie Culver.

On December 29, 2015 Luquin and his wife, Jane Doe, began arguing about unwanted people coming to their home. Doe requested these people to leave which enraged Luquin. Luquin responded by striking Doe in the face with a paintbrush and grabbing her by the neck, applying pressure. After a short period of time, Luquin let his wife go and left their house. He returned the next day and they began arguing over financial issues. Doe requested he leave the house which again angered him. Luquin then grabbed her by the neck and pushed her back towards a door. Doe was unable to move and he held her there by her neck despite multiple requests to be let go. Luquin's daughter called 911 and he fled.

On January 2, 2016, Luquin was arrested by Salinas police officers and was found to be in possession of a firearm with an obliterated serial number, which makes a firearm illegal.

Luquin's sentencing is scheduled for July 26, 2016. He faces a maximum of one year in the county jail.

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