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SEASIDE WOMAN SENTENCED TO FOUR LIFE TERMS IN PRISON FOR ATTEMPTED MURDER OF FAMILY BY ARSON

People v. Jennifer Vasquez, 18CR003146

SALINAS, California- Monterey County District Attorney Jeannine M. Pacioni announced today that Jennifer Michelle Vasquez, age 35, was sentenced by Judge Mark E. Hood to four life terms in prison for the attempted murder of four people in Seaside in 2017. Judge Hood ran three of the life terms concurrent to the other life term. Vasquez was also sentenced to an additional five years in prison for stalking, assault, and an armed robbery, also all committed in Seaside in 2017.

The sentence followed a jury trial, where Vasquez and her co-defendant, Victoria Ramirez, were found guilty by a jury of four counts of attempted murder, arson of an inhabited structure, elder abuse likely to cause death or great bodily injury, and armed robbery. The jury further found the defendants committed the attempted murders with premeditation and deliberation, and also found that they used an accelerant to fuel the fire. In addition, Jennifer Vasquez was convicted of assault with force likely to cause great bodily injury, stalking, stalking in violation of a restraining order, and violating a restraining order.

These cases were investigated by Corporal Jonathan Moore, Detective Matthew Hoffman, and Detective Kevin Miller of the Seaside Police Department, and District Attorney Investigator Erik Morris.