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SERIAL ARMED ROBBER CONVICTED

Woodland, CA – February 1, 2008 – Larry Darnell Ross, Jr., 23, was convicted of two counts of robbery, one with a firearm, and two counts of false imprisonment with a firearm by a Yolo County jury. The crimes were committed by Ross and two other men in March of 2007 in several Yolo County communities.

The crime spree began when Ross was picked up in Woodland by two men who had just carjacked a vehicle in West Sacramento. All three were later charged with an attempted carjacking that involved shooting into an occupied vehicle in Woodland. They then drove to Dunnigan and Ross with one of his companions entered the United Truck Stop. They took cash from the two clerks and were also charged with attempting to rob a customer. Ross was acquitted by the jury of the Woodland crimes and the attempted robbery of the Dunnigan customer.

All three men then drove to a Circle K Store in Davis. Ross and the same companion entered the store and held guns on the clerk and two customers. The customers and the clerk were forced to remain in the store for ten minutes while the robbers waited for the timed safe to open. Cash in the amount of \$7000 to \$8000 and lottery tickets were taken. Ross and his confederate were videotaped during the robbery which showed Ross holding a gun to the clerk's head.

The prosecutor in the case, Robin Johnson, stated, "I am gratified that the jury returned verdicts on crimes that could result in over twenty years in state prison for Mr. Ross."

District Attorney Jeff Reisig praised the efforts of the numerous law enforcement agencies that were involved in the case. "This case involved the hard work of the West Sacramento, Woodland and Davis Police Departments, as well as the Yolo County Sheriff's Department, the Lottery Commission, the countywide Gang Task Force and investigators from the Yolo County District Attorney's Office. This multi-agency teamwork was essential to the successful prosecution of this case."

Ross will be back in court on February 11th for further proceeding on additional allegations for which the jury could not reach verdicts.

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