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Broderick Gang Member Convicted of Attempted Murder

Woodland, CA – July 21, 2010- Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig announced that on July 16, 2010, a Yolo County jury convicted a 36 year old West Sacramento man, Rudy Ornelas, of attempted murder for a 2007 shooting in a West Sacramento trailer park. On February 1, 2007, Ornelas, a validated Broderick Boy gang member, and his accomplice, Claudio Magobet, drove around West Sacramento with a loaded 9 mm handgun looking for Abel Trevino, a West Sacramento parolee. Ornelas's was upset with Trevino over a dispute involving drugs and money.

After spending a day looking for Trevino, as well as drinking beer and using methamphetamine, Ornelas and Magobet eventually found and confronted Trevino inside his trailer in West Sacramento, where they argued and began to walk outside. According to trial testimony from the victim Trevino, he knew that Ornelas was looking for him and that Ornelas may have a gun, so as they walked out of the trailer Trevino punched Ornelas. Ornelas then pulled a gun out of his waistband and fired a shot at Trevino. As Trevino ran away, Ornelas fired three additional shots at him.

During the seven day trial, the jury heard testimony from several eye-witnesses to the crimes that claimed to have no memory of the events. After listening to police officers that took detailed statements from these witnesses in the hours right after the shooting, the jury dismissed the defense claim that it was Magobet who fired the gun. Instead, the jury found that at the time Ornelas fired the shots at the victim, he was attempting to kill Trevino. Ornelas had previously been convicted of firing a gun at an inhabited dwelling,

After the jury reached their verdicts, Judge Stephen Mock found that Ornelas had previously been convicted of one strike as well as five prior prison terms. Ornelas, who faces over 46 years in state prison, will return to Department 3 of the Yolo County Superior Court to be sentenced by Judge Mock on August 12, 2010.

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