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Re: Pedro Araiza Jr
Home Invasion Conviction

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Pedro Andres Araiza Jr, age 21, of Modesto, was sentenced on August 21, 2020 to serve six years in state prison after being convicted of home invasion robbery. Chief Deputy District Attorney Jeff Mangar prosecuted the case for the People.

On Halloween, October 31, 2018, Araiza and co-defendant Tisdale went to the 3700 block of Coffee Road in Modesto looking for 58-year-old Sameer Sogul. When they found his home, they then entered and robbed Sogul of a small amount of money and Tisdale shot the victim before fleeing the scene.

Investigation by detectives from the Modesto Police Department determined that Araiza and Tisdale were responsible. Both were arrested and charged. Tisdale was also charged with murder in this and a separate case. On August 19, 2020, Araiza pled guilty to the crime.

On August 21st, Judge Scott Steffen followed the prosecutor's recommendation and sentenced Araiza to serve six years in state prison. This conviction also counts as a "strike" under California's "Three Strikes" law that may be used increase the sentence for any felony crimes he may be convicted of in the future.

Co-defendant Tisdale was previously convicted for his crimes and was sentenced to the maximum of 200 years-to-life in state prison. Tisdale is currently serving his sentence at California Substance Abuse Treatment Facility and State Prison in Corcoran, Ca.

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