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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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# **EVAN OKAMURA CONVICTED OF ATTEMPTED MURDER FOR 2017 SHOOTING**

Evan Jade Okamura (26, of Fresno) has been convicted of all five (5) felony charges related to a shooting in the City of Fresno that took place on February 22, 2017, the Fresno County District Attorney's Office has announced.

Today, Mr. Okamura was convicted by a Fresno County jury of:

1. Attempted Murder with the Intentional Discharge of a Firearm Causing Great Bodily Injury [P.C. 664/187(a), P.C. 12022.53(d), P.C. 12022.5(a), & P.C. 12022.7(a)];
2. Assault with a Semiautomatic Firearm with the Personal Use of a Firearm Causing Great Bodily Injury [P.C. 245(b), P.C. 12022.5(a), & P.C. 12022.7(a)];
3. Possession of a Firearm by a Felon [P.C. 29800(a)];
4. Carrying a Concealed Firearm on a Person [P.C. 25400(a)(2)]; and
5. Carrying a Loaded Firearm in Public [P.C. 25850(a)].

Mr. Okamura was also found to have had a prior commitment to state prison for a felony weapons conviction in 2016.

As a result of today's convictions, Mr. Okamura faces a sentence of over twenty five (25) years to life in the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation when he is sentenced by the Honorable Judge Vogt on December 4, 2018, in Department 60 of the Fresno County Superior Court. However, upon reaching age 60 and after serving 25 years, Mr. Okamura will be eligible for release under the Elderly Parole Program.

Prosecutor Douglas DiCicco would like to thank and commend the victims in this case for their courage in coming to court and testifying, and would like to thank the jury for sacrificing their time to do their civic duty as well as the consideration, attentiveness, and thoughtfulness they showed during the course of the trial. The Fresno Police Department, particularly Detectives John Mendes and Joshua Knapp, as well as the detectives and officers of MAGEC, were instrumental in the investigation and outcome of this case.

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