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Re: People v. Jasmine Zarazua

On July 14, 2021, in Department 1 of the Solano County Superior Court, before the Honorable Jeffrey C. Kauffman Presiding, the jury found Defendant Jasmine Zarazua Guilty of Evading an Officer With Willful Disregard in violation of Vehicle Code Section 2800.2(a), Resisting an Officer in violation of Penal Code section 148(a)(1), Hit and Run Causing Property Damage in violation of Vehicle Code section 20002(a), and Driving on a Suspended License in violation of Vehicle Code section 14601.2.

On April 18, 2019, officers of the Rio Vista Police Department attempted to initiate a traffic stop on Defendant Zarazua's vehicle at which time the defendant fled from the police, taking the officers on a dangerous pursuit that lasted over ten minutes throughout the city of Rio Vista. Defendant ran multiple stop signs in a residential area while going twice the speed limit, illegally passed vehicles on Highway 12 while speeding, ran a red light, and drove into oncoming traffic causing multiple vehicles to swerve to avoid a head-on collision. Defendant then entered a gated retirement community while continuing to flee from the police. Inside the community, the defendant continued to drive recklessly, eventually losing control of the vehicle, spinning out and crashing the car. Defendant then fled on foot to an adjacent golf course before ultimately surrendering.

Defendant Jasmine Zarazua is scheduled to be sentenced on August 11, 2021, at 8:30 a.m. in Department 1 of the Solano County Superior Court.

Former Officers McDowell and Rogers of the Rio Vista Police Department investigated the case. The case was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney William Moser.