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**Jury Convicts Man of Seven Felony Counts in Home Invasion Trial**

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Albert William Pinho, III was convicted by jury of seven felonies stemming from a July 20, 2011 home invasion robbery. The felony convictions include first degree residential robbery, first degree residential burglary, assault with a deadly weapon, criminal threats and unlawful taking of a vehicle. Five of the seven felony convictions are strikes under California law.

On June 20, 2011 the victim woke up to the Defendant in her bedroom. The Defendant beat the victim, strangled her with electrical cords, threatened to kill and rape her, and stole property before fleeing in the victim's vehicle. At trial, several witnesses testified that the Defendant asked them to lie about his whereabouts the night of the attack. The victim's vehicle was located in a ditch not far from the victim's residence. The Defendant's fingerprints were located on a screen and window of the victim's residence. A neighbor nearby called 911 that morning after hearing the victim's vehicle speeding in her neighborhood and locating some of the victim's stolen items in the road. The jury deliberated for approximately two hours before reaching their verdicts.

Pinho faces eleven years, four months in state prison. Pinho will be sentenced on December 28, 2011 by the Honorable Judge Monica Marlow of the Shasta County Superior Court.

The case was investigated by several members of the Redding Police Department, led by Investigator Greg Wilkes. The victim was assisted by Shasta County District Attorney's Office victim advocate Barbara Dorris.