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Release Date: March 15, 2017

Re: People v. Joseph Montgomery

On March 14, 2017, in Department 23 of the Solano County Superior Court, before the Honorable John B. Ellis, the jury found the defendant, Joseph Montgomery, guilty of Possession of a Firearm by a Felon in violation of Penal Code section 29800(a)(1).

In the bifurcated portion of the trial, the Honorable John B. Ellis found true three prison prior allegations pursuant to Penal Code section 667.5(b).

On January 16, 2017, officers were dispatched to an apartment complex in Fairfield for the report of an individual with a gun. The defendant, a felon, matched the description of the suspect and was contacted. Officers retrieved a loaded .357 Magnum Dan Wesson revolver from the defendant's person.



Officer Shane Raferty of the Fairfield Police Department investigated the case. The case was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Brian Roberts.