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People v. Michael Throckmorton CR1201282

The District Attorney announced that Michael Throckmorton has been convicted of felony domestic violence in a case prosecuted by Deputy DA Jackie Pizzo. In the evening of March 3, 2012, Mr. Throckmorton, 33, strangled the victim in their home, then beat her with the wooden frame of a painting, causing severe abrasions to her neck and massive bruising on her leg.

After a six day trial in front of the Honorable Timothy Cissna, in Department 4 of Humboldt Superior Court, the jury rendered its guilty verdict. The trial completed today was a retrial; the original trial in February 2014 resulted in a hung jury that favored guilt 11 to 1.

The case was investigated by the Humboldt County Sheriff's office. Sentencing will occur on April 30, 2015. The defendant faces a maximum of 4 years in prison.