



## COUNTY OF FRESNO

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### NEWS RELEASE

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## MULTIPLE CHARGES FILED AGAINST DION LOFTISS FOR LAST WEEK'S ROBBERIES OF FARMWORKERS NEAR RAISIN CITY

Dion Edward Loftis (22, of Hanford) has been charged in a Felony Complaint with charges related to last Thursday's robberies of several farmworkers near Raisin City, the Fresno County District Attorney's Office has announced. During the crime, the defendant was allegedly shot with his own gun, and was then held at the scene until law enforcement arrived and placed him under arrest.

The Complaint alleges that the defendant committed the felony crimes of:

- 1.) Two (2) counts of Second Degree Robbery with the Personal and Intentional Discharge of a Firearm [P.C. § 211 & § 12022.53(c)];
- 2.) Grand Theft of Personal Property [P.C. § 487(c)];
- 3.) Possession of a Firearm by a Felon [P.C. § 29800(a)(1)]; and
- 4.) Possession of Ammunition by a Prohibited Person [P.C. § 30305(a)(1)].

The Complaint also includes an allegation that the defendant was previously convicted of a prior "Strike" offense of Gang Related Assault, and that he served a term in prison for that conviction.

If convicted of the current charges and allegations, Mr. Loftis faces a sentence of up to forty-eight (48) years and four (4) months in custody.

Mr. Loftis is currently in custody at the Fresno County Jail. He is expected to be in Department 31 of the Fresno County Superior Court for his Arraignment on Tuesday, December 11, 2018, at 8:30 a.m.

Investigators believe that there may have been other individuals in addition to the defendant who were involved in this crime that fled from the scene. Anyone with information on this crime or their identities is urged to contact the Fresno County Sheriff's Department.

The Media may email [FCDAMedia@fresnocountyca.gov](mailto:FCDAMedia@fresnocountyca.gov) or contact Administrative Assistant Leslie Gillespie at (559) 600-4442 with questions.

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