

COUNTY OF FRESNO

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NEWS RELEASE

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY FILES DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CHARGES AGAINST EVAN WOOTEN RELATED TO TUESDAY'S CLOVIS SWAT STANDOFF

The Fresno County District Attorney's Office has multiple domestic violence charges against Evan Wooten (33, of Clovis), for a Tuesday morning assault which led to a 10-hour standoff with law enforcement officers in Clovis.

The felony complaint charges Mr. Wooten with seven (7) counts, including felony Assault with a Deadly Weapon, felony Corporal Injury to a Spouse or Cohabitant, two (2) felony counts of Criminal Threats, two (2) felony counts of Dissuading a Witness from Reporting a Crime, and misdemeanor Resisting Arrest. There are also additional allegations that Mr. Wooten used a knife during the commission of the crimes, and that he caused Great Bodily Injury on the victim.

It is also alleged in the complaint that Mr. Wooten was previously convicted of the two (2) "Strike" offenses of Residential Burglary and Grand Theft of a Firearm in 2014, and that he was committed to the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for a prison term.

Mr. Wooten is currently in custody at the Fresno County Jail. He is scheduled for Arraignment in Department 96 of the Fresno County Superior Court on Friday, September 30, 2016, at 8:30 a.m.

Mr. Wooten faces a potential sentence of up to 24 years and 8 months in prison if convicted of the charges.

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