

Local Man Acquitted on All Charges After Umatilla County Oregon Jury Trial

Six-person jury returns unanimous "not guilty" verdict in Oregon self-defense case

PORLAND, OR, UNITED STATES, January 12, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- A local man was acquitted on all charges Friday, January 9, 2026, following a three-day jury trial in [Umatilla County](#)

[Circuit Court in Pendleton, Oregon](#). The charges included Assault in the Fourth Degree, Recklessly Endangering Another Person, and Disorderly Conduct in the Second Degree.

“This case arose after our client was attacked during a road rage incident on July 8, 2023. He used non-lethal force in self-defense, and we appreciate the jury's careful consideration of the evidence.”

Michael G. Romano

The six-person trial jury returned unanimous verdicts of not guilty in case no. 24CR35370 on all three counts after hearing the evidence presented in the case. The matter was tried before the Honorable Judge Jon Lieuallen.

The defendant was represented by [Oregon Defense Attorney Michael G. Romano](#) of [Romano Law](#), a Portland-

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