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## **CITY ATTORNEY ROCKY DELGADILLO SECURES 992-DAY JAIL SENTENCE FOR VALLEY SPOUSAL BATTERER**

*Woman Sentenced for Battery on Father of Her Children, Probation Violation on  
Three Similar Incidents*

**LOS ANGELES** – Los Angeles City Attorney Rocky Delgadillo, the City's chief criminal prosecutor, today announced his Office's Family Violence Unit has secured counseling and a 992-day jail sentence for a San Fernando Valley woman previously convicted on multiple occasions of battering the father of her two young children and failing to obey stay away orders.

Veronica De Leon, 34, pled no contest to one count of spousal battery on March 21. De Leon had previously been placed on probation following three similar cases in which she had violated a previously issued protective order.

Judge Sanjay Kumar sentenced De Leon to 36 months probation as well as 90 days in jail for the spousal battery charge and 902 days in jail for probation violations on her prior cases. De Leon must stay at least 100 yards away from the complaining witness and his home.

Ms. De Leon was also ordered to complete one year of domestic violence counseling classes and 104 Alcoholic's Anonymous meetings at the rate of two per week. De Leon is required to stay away from all locations where alcohol is sold or consumed and may not consume alcohol during the term of probation.

Recent charges against De Leon came as a result of an incident on February 29 when, while intoxicated, she entered the home of the father of her eight and nine year-old children while he was sleeping and began screaming at him. A physical altercation soon ensued resulting in De Leon hitting the victim with a closed fist, causing visible injuries to his collarbone area as well as red scratches on his upper left shoulder. Results of the investigation were forwarded to Deputy City Attorney Alois Philips of City Attorney Delgadillo's Family Violence Section for prosecution.

Ms. De Leon had previously been convicted on three separate incidents between August 2007 and January 2008 for spousal battery and violation of court protective orders.