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## **VICTORIA RESIDENT CONVICTED** **OF DWI**

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On Wednesday, November 1, 2017, a six-member jury convicted Pedro Thomas Garcia of Driving While Intoxicated. Evidence showed that Pedro Garcia was pulled over by a DPS trooper for, among other violations, an obstructed license plate – he subsequently had difficulty providing identification and also had a half-filled 25-ounce beer can behind the driver's seat. Mr. Garcia was arrested after failing Standardized Field Sobriety Tests.

Trial began Tuesday morning and closed in the afternoon. Defense counsel, Alex Luna, asked the jury to question each piece of evidence with an open mind. At closing, ACDA Mendoza argued that, as citizens of Victoria, it was their job to hold Ms. Garcia accountable for his actions that night in that the Defendant posed a severe danger to everyone on the road due to the Defendant's statements to law enforcement that he had smoked synthetic marijuana as well as consumed two beers earlier that night. The jury deliberated for nearly three hours over the course of two days and returned a Guilty verdict. Sentencing is set for November 21, 2017.

