

1 **14-312. Aggravated assault; threat or menacing conduct with intent to commit a violent**
2 **felony; essential elements.**

3 For you to find the defendant guilty of aggravated assault with intent to [kill] [or]¹ [commit
4 _____²] [as charged in Count _____]³, the state must prove to your satisfaction beyond a
5 reasonable doubt each of the following elements of the crime:

6 1. The defendant _____ (*describe unlawful act, threat or menacing conduct*);

7 2. The defendant's conduct caused _____ (*name of victim*) to believe the
8 defendant was about to intrude on _____'s (*name of victim*) bodily integrity or personal safety
9 by touching or applying force to _____ (*name of victim*) in a rude, insolent or angry manner⁴;

10 3. A reasonable person in the same circumstances as _____ (*name of victim*)
11 would have had the same belief;

12 4. The defendant intended to [kill] _____ (*name of victim*)] [or]¹ [commit
13 _____² on _____ (*name of victim*)];

14 5. This happened in New Mexico on or about the _____ day of _____,
15 _____.

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USE NOTES

18 1. Use only the applicable bracketed alternatives.

19 2. Insert the name of the felony or felonies in the disjunctive. This instruction is to be
20 used for assault with intent to kill or to commit a violent felony, i.e., mayhem, criminal sexual
21 penetration, robbery or burglary. The essential elements of the felony or felonies must also be
22 given immediately following this instruction. To instruct on the elements of an uncharged offense,
23 UJI 14-140 NMRA must be used. For mayhem, *see* UJI 14-314 NMRA. For criminal sexual

1 penetration in the first, second or third degree, *see* UJI§ 14-941 to 14-961 NMRA. For robbery,
2 *see* UJI 14-1620 NMRA. For burglary, *see* UJI 14-1630 NMRA.

3 3. Insert the count number if more than one count is charged.

4 4. If the “unlawfulness” of the act is in issue, add unlawfulness as an element as
5 provided by Use Note 1 of UJI 14-132 NMRA. In addition, UJI 14-132 NMRA is given. If the
6 issue of “lawfulness” involves self defense or defense of another, *see* UJI§ 14-5181 to [UJ] 14-
7 5184 NMRA.

8 [Adopted effective October 1, 1976; UJI Criminal Rule 3.06 NMSA 1978; UJI 14-307 SCRA; as
9 amended, effective September 1, 1988; January 15, 1998; as amended by Supreme Court Order
10 No. 21-8300-025, effective for all cases pending or filed on or after December 31, 2021.]

11 **Committee commentary** – *See* committee commentary to UJI 14-308 NMRA and UJI 14-
12 311 NMRA.