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Jury Finds Quintero Guilty of Gang Related Shooting
People v. Maximillion Damien Quintero: Kern County Superior Court Case BF187841B

(Bakersfield) – Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced a verdict in a gang-related shooting. On February 26, 2024, in a case prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Cyrus Shahbazian, a Kern County jury found Maximillion Damien Quintero guilty of two counts of Assault with a Firearm on a Person, discharging a Firearm from a Vehicle at a Person, two counts of Shooting at an Occupied Motor Vehicle, and Recklessly Discharging a Firearm.

Quintero was acquitted of Assault with a Firearm on a Peace Officer. The jury was unable to reach a unanimous verdict as to the Attempted Murder charge.

During the evening hours of April 19, 2021, a Deputy with the Kern County Sheriff's Office was parked in his patrol vehicle at the Delano substation when he was flagged down by a husband and wife. One of the victims reported that a vehicle had been following them from the gas station and turned their headlights off. The Deputy then observed the vehicle drive by the substation and Quintero, in the passenger seat, reach over the hood and fire a round at the victim's vehicle. The vehicle then lead deputies on a pursuit from Delano to Earlimart, driving at speeds in excess of 100MPH before crashing.

District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer commented; "Gang violence has a devastating impact on our communities, families, and innocent bystanders. This office will continue to tackle this issue head-on, working to reduce violence and create a safer Kern County for all."

Sentencing is set for April 17, 2024, in before the honorable Judge Charles Brehmer in Department 4 of the Kern County Superior Court. Quintero faces up to 45 years to life in prison.

Maximillion Quintero:

