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Apartment Parking Lot Murderer Sentenced to 25 Years-Life in Prison
People v. Daniel Moran: Kern County Superior Court Case BF190321A

(Bakersfield) - Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced a significant sentencing today. On June 6, 2024, in a case prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Christine Antonios, defendant Daniel Moran plead no contest to First-Degree Murder and Attempted Murder.

On July 11, 2024, Kern County Judge Charles Brehmer sentenced Moran to 25 years to life in prison. During the sentencing, the victim's family members described the grief and loss they will forever endure.

In the early morning of March 12, 2022, Moran was loitering outside of an apartment complex located at 5000 Belle Terrace. Moran was captured on video surveillance at the crime scene and seen by witnesses who found his behavior suspicious. While in that parking lot, Moran approached a vehicle that was parked and running with a male asleep in the driver seat and a female asleep in the front passenger seat. Moran approached on foot and shot into the vehicle at both the male and the female victim. The investigation revealed no evidence suggesting a prior history between Moran and the victims. The male, Marco Antonio Rosales, died at the hospital from his injuries. The female victim was in critical condition as she underwent a lengthy recovery from multiple gunshot wounds.

District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer stated, "The Defendant took one person's life and permanently altered another in this heinous and senseless act. Such violent decisions are irreversible and leave a lasting scar in the community."

Daniel Moran:

