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Gang Members Found Guilty of First-Degree Murder

People v. Mark Milner and Parrish Stinson: Kern County Superior Court Cases BF181534AB

(Bakersfield) – Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced a significant trial conviction. On December 19, 2024, in a case prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Cyrus Shahbazian, a Kern County jury found Mark Milner and Parrish Stinson guilty of premeditated first-degree murder in a gang related shooting. The jury also found true various gun enhancements, including discharging a firearm resulting in death.

In the evening hours of May 31, 2020, Officers with the Bakersfield Police Department were alerted by Shotspotter that 10 gunshots had been detected near South King Street and East California Avenue in Bakersfield. Shortly after, Officers responded nearby to the intersection of Wallace and East California after reports that a vehicle had crashed traveling in the opposite direction of traffic. When Officers arrived, they found the driver, Raul Dominguez, unconscious and suffering from a gunshot wound through his chest. Rodriguez was pronounced deceased at the scene.

Officers canvassed the area and located video surveillance from a business near where the Shotspotter activation had reported. The videos depicted the victim drive into the parking lot of the business, and then get brutally assaulted by 8 to 10 people. As the victim was attempting to flee, the video surveillance shows three persons, including Milner and Stinson, brandish their firearms and fire several rounds into the victim's vehicle. One bullet entered the victim's back, exited his chest, and then got lodged in his right arm. The victim was able to drive a few blocks before he succumbed to his injuries.

Investigation from the Bakersfield Police Department identified Mark Milner and Parrish Stinson as two of the shooters. On June 23, 2020, the two were arrested.

District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer commented; "The sentences these two dangerous individuals face are a direct reflection of the severity of the brutal crime they committed. Gang violence continues to tarnish our community, but it remains a top priority for this office to combat it and uphold justice."

Sentencing is scheduled for January 21, 2025, in front of the Honorable Judge Dulcich in Department 2 of the Kern County Superior Court. Milner and Stinson face life without the possibility of parole.

Mark Milner:



Parrish Stinson:

