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Garibay Found Guilty of Murdering Elderly Roommate
People v. Jason Aguilar Garibay: Kern County Superior Court Case BF205242A

(Bakersfield) - Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced a significant murder conviction today. On January 28, 2026, in a case presented by Deputy District Attorney Brad Taconi, a Kern County jury found defendant Jason Aguilar Garibay guilty of First-Degree Murder, Elder Abuse, and Great Bodily Injury on Someone over 70.

In the early morning hours of June 2, 2025, Garibay confronted another tenant of the room and board facility where they were both living. Garibay got control of the victim, Domingo Trevino, kicking and stomping his head more than 20 times while on the ground. Garibay stopped his assault briefly to get a third tenant to observe his behavior. Upon returning to the scene, Garibay continued stomping on Mr. Trevino. Eventually, Garibay ceased his attack and retired to his room upstairs.

Mr. Trevino was pronounced deceased on scene. He suffered massive trauma to his head and neck as a result of kicking and stomping. The scene was covered in blood and the stairs upon which Mr. Trevino was killed, were broken by the force caused by Garibay. Garibay was removed from the apartment upon law enforcement's arrival.

During an interview with law enforcement, Garibay admitted to the crime and stated that he intended to kill Mr. Trevino. Garibay also stated that it was his choice to kill Mr. Trevino and that he was proud of what he did.

District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer commented; "Elders in our community are particularly vulnerable and therefore more prone to being targeted by abusers. This act was among the most serious cases of elder abuse our community has witnessed, resulting in a devastating outcome. Our office is committed to pursuing justice through sentencing and ensuring that Garibay pays for the life he took."

Sentencing is set for February 27, 2026, before the Honorable Judge Eric Bradshaw in Department 4 of the Kern County Superior Court. Garibay faces up to 25 years to life in prison.

Jason Aguilar Garibay:

