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Murder Trial Conviction: Keon Brackenridge: Kern County Superior Court Case BF 170249A

Bakersfield -- District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced a significant conviction in a homicide case today. On May 10, 2022, a Kern County jury found defendant Keon Brackenridge guilty of one count of first-degree murder, one count of attempted murder, shooting at an occupied building, assault with a firearm, possession of a firearm by a felon, and enhancements for inflicting great bodily injury, and discharge of a firearm causing death. The court also found true that Brackenridge had suffered a prior 'strike' conviction for unlawful gang participation activity. Deputy District Attorney John Allen prosecuted the case.

On November 3rd, 2017 Brackenridge approached the Golden West Casino, where he was met by security guard Jose Lopez who asked Brackenridge for identification. Brackenridge refused to provide identification in compliance with casino policy and Jose Lopez called his supervisor, Richard Iloilo. After Brackenridge refused to provide identification, security officials began to escort Brackenridge off the casino premises. While being escorted, Brackenridge pulled a firearm from his waistband and began shooting at both the security guards and the nearby casino, firing seven shots from a 9mm handgun. Richard Iloilo was struck several times in the upper body and died from his wounds. No other patrons or security were struck with gunfire, however bullets entered the casino card room where several patrons and staff were present.

District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer commented on the conviction, stating, "This outburst of senseless violence resulted in the death of a man who was simply doing his job. The shooting also endangered countless others. This conviction brings accountability and justice, and the anticipated life sentences will prevent Brackenridge from further endangering the people of Kern County."

Brackenridge faces multiple life sentences as a result of the convictions. His sentencing date is scheduled for June 8th, 2022 in Department 7 before the Honorable Judge Brian McNamara.

Keon Brackenridge:

