



GREGORY D. TOTTE
District Attorney

NEWS RELEASE

www.vcdistrictattorney.com

Twitter: @VenturaDAOoffice

Contact: Tate McCallister
Senior Deputy District Attorney
Telephone: 805-654-2718
E-mail: tate.mccallister@ventura.org
Approved: MDS *mjs*
Date: Thursday, January 17, 2019
Release No.: 19-005

Oxnard Man Sentenced to Life in Prison for 2012 Murder

VENTURA, California – District Attorney Gregory D. Totten announced today that Daniel Alvarez (DOB 3/25/1993), of Oxnard, was sentenced to life without the possibility of parole by Judge Ryan Wright.

In September 2018, Alvarez was convicted by a jury of the first-degree murder of Jorge Rodriguez, of Oxnard. The jury also convicted Alvarez of attempted robbery, use of a firearm, and the special circumstance that him committed the murder during the attempted commission of robbery.

On the evening of June 3, 2012, Mr. Rodriguez was socializing with friends in a garage at an apartment complex on the 3600 block of Samuel Avenue in Oxnard, when Alvarez accused him of selling counterfeit methamphetamine. Alvarez demanded his money back from that drug deal, and when Mr. Rodriguez could not produce the money, Alvarez shot him once in the neck with a handgun, killing him.

The prosecution of this case was based upon an extensive investigation conducted by the Oxnard Police Department.

###

The Ventura County District Attorney's Office is the public prosecutor for the county's 850,000 residents. The office employs approximately 280 employees including attorneys, investigators, victim advocates, and other professional support staff who strive to seek justice, ensure public safety, and protect the rights of crime victims.

Follow the Ventura County District Attorney's Office on Twitter @VenturaDAOoffice