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Oxnard Man Sentenced for 2017 Killing

VENTURA, Calif. – District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that Jacob Jamal Steir (DOB 06/19/97), of Oxnard, was sentenced to 27 years prison for his actions in a 2017 shooting that killed Alexis Jean Lopez and injured one other. Steir previously pled guilty on August 10, 2023, to voluntary manslaughter.



On October 8, 2017, while in their vehicle, Ms. Lopez and a passenger were shot at an intersection in the Nyeland Acres area of unincorporated Oxnard. Ms. Lopez died at the scene. Her passenger was wounded but survived. Approximately one month after the shooting, officers with the Port Hueneme Police Department arrested Steir for possession of a firearm by a prohibited person. Forensic testing ultimately confirmed Steir's gun was the same one used in the shooting that killed Ms. Lopez.

Oxnard Police Department detectives later learned that on the night of the murder, an associate of Steir's was seeking revenge for a shooting that had occurred earlier that day. Mistakenly believing Ms. Lopez's passenger was a subject involved in the earlier unrelated shooting, the associate asked for Steir's gun. After Steir gave his gun to the associate, the associate opened fire on the unsuspecting vehicle, killing Ms. Lopez and seriously wounding the passenger.

Senior Deputy District Attorney John Barrick, a member of the Ventura County District Attorney's Office Major Crimes Homicide Unit, prosecuted the case.

“But for this defendant giving his handgun to the shooter, Alexis would be alive today, and her family wouldn’t have suffered so much,” DDA Barrick said. “Today’s sentence was only made possible because of the extraordinary efforts of the Oxnard Police Department, who continued to vigorously investigate the case despite having very little evidence to go on in the beginning, and they will continue their investigation until the shooter is brought to justice.”

Case: 2022024549

Defendant Information:

Jacob Jamal Steir (DOB 06/19/97)

Oxnard

Pled Guilty to:

- PC 192(a) – Voluntary manslaughter
- PC 664/187(a) – Attempt murder

Special Allegations Admitted

- PC 667S2 – Prior - Strike 2
- PC 1170(h)(3) – Prior serious or violent felony
- PC 667(a)(1) – Serious felony prior

