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Everidge Found Guilty of Deadly Downtown Bakersfield Stabbing
People v. Timon Isaiah Everidge: Kern County Superior Court Case BF173079A

(Bakersfield) – Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced a significant murder conviction today. On April 12, 2024, in a case presented by Deputy District Attorney Brad Taconi, a Kern County jury found Timon Isaiah Everidge guilty of First Degree Murder.

In the early morning hours on July 11, 2024, Timon Everidge, Nathaniel Mayfield, and Steven Buckner were walking down 19th Street in downtown Bakersfield when they came across Sergio Mendoza. Investigation revealed that the three men chased down Mendoza for no apparent reason. Mendoza attempted to flee the three men when he was tackled to the ground by Everidge. Mayfield and Buckner caught up to Everidge and Mendoza. Mayfield and Buckner began punching and kicking Mendoza while Everidge took a knife out of his pocket and proceeded to stab Mendoza ten times. Mendoza was stabbed in the chest and back that pierced his heart as well as his lungs. An additional stab wound was located in the back of the head. Further injuries included multiple fractured ribs, bruising to the face and head, and three hemorrhages to the brain. Mendoza died on the corner of 19th Street and V Street.

Prior to being located and arrested, Everidge sent several messages bragging about the murder. During his interview with police, Everidge admitted to the stabbing and that he was “just in that mood” when he murdered Mendoza. At trial, Everidge attempted to minimize his culpability by stating that he had only made statements to law enforcement as part of the lifestyle he lived at the time. Everidge clarified that his lifestyle was of a member of the Westside Crips Criminal Street Gang.

District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer commented; “We will not permit senseless crime in our community. Everidge’s unprovoked violence poses a threat to society that will be addressed.”

Sentencing is set for June 6, 2024, in Department 6 of the Kern County Superior Court before Superior Court Judge John Brownlee. Everidge faces up to 26 years to life in prison. Buckner (BF173079B) and Mayfield (BF173079C), who had previously pled no contest to a felony violation of Assault with Force Likely to Cause Great Bodily Injury, are due back in court to be sentenced on April 17, 2024, and face up

to 4 years in prison.

Timon Everidge:



Steven Buckner:



Nathaniel Mayfield:

