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## Second Man Sentenced to Prison for Killing Transient

A 43-year-old man was sentenced today to 35 years to life in state prison for murdering a transient outside a Los Angeles restaurant, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

On Oct. 19, 2016, a jury found Charles Allender guilty of second-degree murder in case BA433582.

It also was found true that Allender was previously convicted of receiving stolen property in 1995, robbery in 1996 and resisting an executive officer in 2005.

Allender's co-defendant, Derek Miller, 31, pleaded no contest to a felony count of voluntary manslaughter on Aug. 22, 2016. Two months later, he was sentenced to 11 years in state prison.

Deputy District Attorney Elizabeth Karb, who prosecuted the case, said on Feb. 7, 2015, Allender and Miller attacked Derrick Hamilton in the parking lot of a fast food restaurant in the 700 block of Cesar Chavez Avenue.

Both Allender and Miller beat and stomped the victim, according to the prosecutor. Following the assault, Hamilton, 45, was taken to a hospital where he died.

On the day of the attack, Allender and Miller were arrested in connection with the incident and subsequently charged on Feb. 10, 2015.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department.

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