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Man Convicted of Decades-Old Slaying in Hollywood

A 53-year-old man was convicted today of killing a driver outside a Hollywood nightclub during a botched carjacking 30 years ago, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Jurors deliberated for about two days before finding Pierre Romain guilty of first-degree murder. A special allegation that he used a gun during the crime was found to be true.

Sentencing is scheduled for Sept. 15 when Romain faces up to 27 years to life in state prison.

Deputy District Attorney Tannaz Mokayef of the Major Crimes Division prosecuted the case.

On June 29, 1987, victim Jade Maurice Clark was parked outside a club in a vehicle with a friend on Highland Boulevard when he was approached by Romain and another man. Romain pointed a gun at Clark, 21, who had his own weapon.

Evidence presented at trial showed that Clark shot the defendant in the arm. Romain also opened fire, killing Clark.

DNA recovered from the bullet tied Romain to the murder.

Case BA257828 was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department.

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