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## Suge Knight Sentenced for 2015 Fatal Hit-and-Run

Marion "Suge" Knight was sentenced today to 28 years in state prison for running over a man and killing him in a Compton restaurant parking lot, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

On Sept. 20, Knight (dob 4/19/65) pleaded no contest to one count of voluntary manslaughter and admitted a special allegation that he used a deadly weapon, a truck.

Deputy District Attorney Cynthia Barnes of the Major Crimes Division prosecuted the case.

On Jan. 29, 2015, an altercation occurred outside a restaurant and Knight ran over two men with his truck. Terry Carter, 55, was killed and the other man was injured. Knight, who at the time was out on bail in a robbery case, fled the scene but was later arrested.

Knight received the high-term of 11 years in prison for the voluntary manslaughter count that doubled because he has a prior conviction under California's three strikes law. He also received an additional five years because the conviction was for a serious and violent felony and a year for the deadly weapon allegation.

Case TA136401 was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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