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Long Beach Man Sentenced For Killing Stepfather, Two Assaults

A 23-year-old man was sentenced today to 30 years in state prison for the 2013 fatal shooting of his stepfather and two assaults on fellow inmates while in custody, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Joel Torres was sentenced by Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge James Otto. Torres pleaded guilty in August to one count of voluntary manslaughter, two counts of assault and one count of mayhem.

Deputy District Attorney Amy Wilton prosecuted the case.

On March 24, 2013, Torres had gotten into an argument with his stepfather, 37-year-old Rogelio Aguirre-Lopez outside the defendant's home. Torres shot and killed the victim who died at the scene.

While awaiting trial, Torres attacked inmates on two separate occasions in April 2014 and April 2016.

The case was investigated by the Long Beach Police Department.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.